



Quicksilver Quips

March 2022



*Happy St.
Patrick's
day!*

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President's message

22 February 2022

At the 16 February QSER Board Meeting, we got down to business! Our Board Meeting reminded me of my days in the business world, where we used a phrase that describes the path that teams follow on their journey to high performance:

Forming – Getting to understand roles, responsibilities, and capabilities of each other

Storming – Ideas are flying, focus yet to develop!

Norming – when the team has gelled and everyone is doing their part

Performing – results roll in, seems like we're on "automatic"!

Our February meeting has us getting past "Forming" and well into the "Storming" stage of team development! With the sage advice of Maryben, we all took the time to review our Club Bylaws prior to the meeting so that we could better anchor our activities to our Club's defining purpose: to promote endurance riding, horsemanship, and sportsmanship. The Club Bylaws gives us all a "How To" with a description of committees, officers, and activities that the Club is expected to fulfill during the year. Our activities and plans for 2022 are pretty-well aligned to the Bylaws. We need to attract some volunteers to serve on our Awards Committees, please consider pitching in if this interests you. Other items of interest from the Board Meeting:

- All Club members are welcome to join in on the QSER Board Meetings, held via ZOOM on the third Wednesday of each month. Please contact me in advance for a link to the meeting!
- Through February, only about 50% of our members have renewed their membership for 2022 – please go to the link on our website and **renew today!**
- If you are attending the AERC Convention March 4/5 in Reno, please join your Quicksilver Club for a hosted cocktail hour on Thursday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the "Horseshoe Bar" at the Nugget Casino!

Best wishes to you all for a safe and productive year with your equine partners!

Jerry Wittenauer

Ride report *by Carolyn Tucker*

A Beautiful Day and Ride at **Mt. Madonna County Park**, Sprig entrance, with Shannon, Elaine, and Elisabet.

This park has 3,688 acres with trails that go through redwood forests and chaparral. It has well maintained trails for horseback riding that go from deep woods to awesome views. Camping facilities (not with horses) are available year round at the main entrance. Day parking at the main entrance has a \$7.00 fee, and a large parking area for trailers. The Sprig Parking lot off Hwy 152 near Gilroy is free, with room for at least 6 trailers.



A great mostly trees and shaded ride, with some steep climbs and descents and mostly good footing. Some rocky spots and quite a few bridge crossings.

At one point, you ride through an archery range, but none of us have ever seen anyone actually using it. Still, keep an eye out for Robin Hood!

A park staff member working on the trails was very nice about giving Elisabet's horse, Echo, a cookie to prove to him that the big, yellow beast was actually friendly!

A good 2 to 3 hour ride at an easy pace.

Carolyn



Reasonably well maintained Porta-potties are available in both parking lots.

A perfect ride started at the Sprig parking lot. We took a left up Ridge trail to left on Blackhawk trail to left on Contour and back onto Blackhawk, then straight up to right on Iron Springs trail to right on Ridge at the end, then staying on Ridge and staying left at Contour then down to a Left on Tie Camp trail and right on Merry go Round trail to the water trough on the left and straight back down to Sprig Parking.





Another lovely ride at Mount Madonna, a week later! The weather practically demands that we keep on enjoying our parks from horseback!

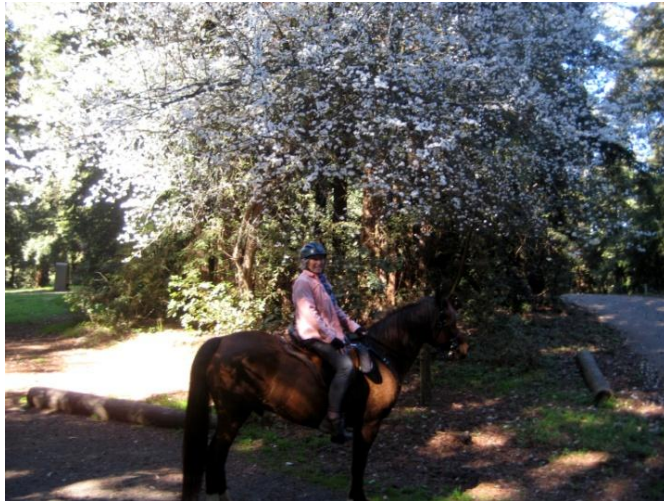
The main entrance is about at the summit of Mt. Madonna. I'm guessing it takes about the same amount of time to get there from Watsonville as it does from Gilroy.

Carolyn Tucker and I decided to explore the "upper" trails and enjoy some of the places we missed last time we were there. We were the only two rigs in the parking lot, although by the time we got back, there was a third one with two ladies that were packing up, so they must have gone on a shorter ride. We saw no other horses on the trails and only a couple of people!

We ditched the map and just meandered around, which was fun. Some trails were familiar to me, others not so much. We took advantage of a known, long, gradual uphill trail to open the throttle a little and let our horses have a nice, controlled run. Plenty of shade and well placed water troughs kept our horses happy.

SO much green everywhere!! and then KAPAW!!! a wild cherry tree in full bloom appeared out of nowhere to delight our eyes.

Back at the trailers, we had a little lunch and while the horses enjoyed some fresh grass, we reflected on how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful area!



Horse related... well... kind of!

A beautiful "firefall" created by the setting sun illuminating **Horsetail Fall** in Yosemite National Park.

Visit during mid- to late February, when the setting sun makes Horsetail Fall near El Capitan appear to be on fire or even look like a river of gold falling down the valley's cliffs 1,570 feet below.

To view Horsetail Fall, park at Yosemite Falls parking (just west of Yosemite Valley Lodge) and walk 1.5 miles to the viewing area near El Capitan Picnic Area.

JUST FOR FUN...

While mucking out the stables one morning, I coined a term: "Forensic Poopology" – the investigation of *"What on earth went on here last night!?!?"*

A small dollop on the ceiling. How?
Presumably jettisoned during a particularly frenzied roll?

Another pushed through the bars to the adjoining stall. Sharing?

Poo in the automatic water feeder.
Why?????

(Author unknown)



THE HOOF ---

This is a view most people don't get to see on their own horses, because it's only clearly visible fresh after a trim. The hoof wall is comprised of four layers, but this article is just for the two most visible parts, the outer and inner wall!

The biggest difference between the outer and inner wall is a structural one. The outer wall is the driest and densest part of the hoof wall, and that extra toughness lends itself well to resisting wear



from abrasive terrain. The inner wall, meanwhile, is less dense and has a much higher moisture content. This helps protect the sensitive inner structures of the hoof by dissipating shock as the horse takes a step. The inner wall is also usually white, whereas the outer wall can be pigmented in various shades of black or gray, or be unpigmented and appear mostly white or even slightly yellow.

But they have a lot in common too! Both the inner and outer hoof wall are made of long, straw-like tubules of keratin—yes, keratin, just like our own fingernails—that grow vertically from the hairline toward the ground. The tubules are held together by intertubular (literally, “among the tubules”) horn that is also made of keratin proteins, but they are arranged perpendicularly to the tubules to make a sort of mesh, as opposed to the straw shape of the tubules themselves. (You can see the ends of

the individual tubules and the intertubular horn around them really well where the black pigment starts to fade into the white inner wall in this photo) This combination is designed to produce a structure that is exceptionally strong but maintains a good amount of elasticity, allowing the hoof to flex under weight-bearing while also preventing major deformation.

This is a super basic overview of the purpose and structure of the hoof wall. However, if you'd like more in-depth information about this aspect or any other of your horse's hooves, somebody *did* write a book about it, called *The Essential Hoof Book*. It's available in print and on most e-reader apps, so check it out!

ONE FOR THE DOG LOVERS....

Judy, a purebred pointer, was the mascot of several ships in the Pacific, and was captured by the Japanese in 1942 and taken to a prison camp. There she met Aircraftsman Frank Williams, who shared his small portion of rice with her.



Judy raised morale in the POW camp, and also barked when poisonous snakes, crocodiles or even tigers approached the prisoners. When the prisoners were shipped back to Singapore, she was smuggled out in a rice sack, never whimpering or betraying her presence to the guards.

The next day, that ship was torpedoed. Williams pushed Judy out of a porthole in an attempt to save her life, even though there was a 15-foot drop to the sea. He made his own escape from the ship, but was then recaptured and sent to a new POW camp. He didn't know if Judy had survived, but soon he began hearing stories about a dog helping drowning men reach pieces of debris after the shipwreck. And when Williams arrived at the new camp, he said: "I couldn't believe my eyes! As I walked through the gate, a scraggly dog hit me square between the shoulders and knocked me over. I'd never been so glad to see the old girl!"

They spent a year together at that camp in Sumatra. "Judy saved my life in so many ways," said Williams. "But the greatest of all was giving me a reason to live. All I had to do was look into those weary, bloodshot eyes and ask myself: 'What would happen to her if I died?' I had to keep going."

Once hostilities ceased, Judy was then smuggled aboard a troopship heading back to Liverpool. In England, she was awarded the Dickin Medal (the "Victoria Cross" for animals) in May 1946. Her citation reads: "For magnificent courage and endurance in Japanese prison camps, which helped to maintain morale among her fellow prisoners, and also for saving many lives through her intelligence and watchfulness".

At the same time, Frank Williams was awarded the PDSA's White Cross of St. Giles for his devotion to Judy. Frank and Judy spent a year after the war visiting the relatives of English POWs who had not survived, and Frank said that Judy "always provided a comforting presence to the families."

When Judy finally died at the age of 13, Frank spent two months building a granite and marble memorial in her memory, which included a plaque describing her life story.

Two books have been written about her: "No Better Friend" and "Judy, A Dog In A Million". Definitely on my list of books to read!

Elisabet



Receiving the Dickin Medal

2/14/22 The Quicksilver Banquet was held on Saturday, Feb 12th at the Bayside Grill in



Gilroy. We had about 28 people in attendance, and it was a nice chance to get to see people since last year's banquet was canceled. Thanks to Mary Anderson who did a lot of the heavy lifting to get the event to happen. Some of the highlights are listed below:

1) The annual Hall of Fame Person award was presented to Becky Glaser posthumously. Her husband and son were there to accept, and it was a moving moment. Below is the text from the presenter, one of Becky's long time friends- Brian Reeves.

"The Hall of fame, what does it mean? It definitely means a rider who excels in endurance- over 8,000 miles in a career with multiple wins: this counts as excelling. But it also means someone who has spent a lot of time encouraging and mentoring other riders. One who would give talks to first time riders at rides, and at endurance clinics giving an idea of what to expect and how to deal with issues. One who rode with a saw in her pack to help maintain trails in her beloved forest prior to upcoming rides. One who was so respected by her peers that she was chosen as a selector of horse and rider teams for the US team on multiple occasions. One who would be a groom for a US International rider not once, but twice. One who would go up in a private plane looking for a lost horse, even though she hated to be in small planes. One who has spent days and weeks volunteering at rides, helping put on the rides, marking trails, glow stick marking the night loops, sitting at the finish lines working until late at night and doing whatever was asked of her for the betterment of the ride, regardless of injuries or illnesses trying to slow her down. That's what the hall of fame rider does. That's what Becky did. The Hall of fame rider for the Quicksilver club for 2021 goes to Becky Glaser."

2) The annual Eleanor Norton Award was presented to Lori Oleson!

This award, given in the memory of Elanor Norton, is a sportsmanship award, given to the club member that exemplifies the meaning of the word "sportsmanship".

"This individual continues to be an advocate for Endurance riding. They are active in encouraging new riders, weather volunteering at events or riding themselves, and can always be counted on to provide words of encouragement to riders and volunteers. They thoughtfully share the lessons they have learned without passing judgment on those of us who have not quite figured those lessons out yet! Lori Oleson- we appreciate your writing to document the history of Endurance, and we are so grateful for your time and energy as you continue to ride, and support the sport and the Club"



3) The Horse of the year award for 2021 was presented to Sorsha (GS Stilani) owned and ridden by Nick Warhol. They had a good year, riding and completing six fifty mile rides and one 100 mile ride. six of the seven finishes were in the top ten, she got two Best Conditions, and she won the west region heavyweight division award for her rider Nick.

4) there was no Hall of Fame Horse awarded.

Submitted by Nick Warhol

Ride report - Salinas River Beach

By Carolyn Tucker



Stellar Day at Salinas River Beach, at Moss Landing!

Parking at Potrero Rd. or Molera Rd. off Hwy 1. Quicksilver Members Jill and Carolyn enjoyed a wonderful ride full of Beauty and Great Exercise! For horses new to the beach, the Dunes trail is a great way to start out before taking the pathways down to the beach and along the shore.

This path gives horses a chance to see and hear

the waves ahead of time.

Check the tides before going as low tide is best for riding on the beach and high tide doesn't leave much room for riding on this stretch of beach.

Enjoy! Carolyn



From Lori Oleson:

Elisabet asked me to write something for the Quips about my journey of completing 14,000 miles. I was hesitant to agree because I didn't want to brag about my accomplishments. Instead, I will just tell everyone, I love horses and love to ride!

What better way to see miles of our beautiful trails than with our wonderful horses. We get to see up to 100 miles of fabulous scenery in a day of places others will never get to experience. Often we have the privilege of riding on private land that is closed to the public. Sometimes the mountains, sometimes the desert... It's all great.

To get to this mileage marker, I have ridden multiple horses over the years. My first 50 was in 1983. I've seen the sport evolve in the past 40 years. The highest mileage horse I've ridden was Flame. For 15 seasons, I rode him 4,500 miles. I still have Flame and I treasure him.

You too can reach mileage and personal goals if you just keep riding. That is what I plan to do!



Did the Fairies Hide Littles Alicorn?

By: Sandy Holder

Unicorns are considered mythical, magical – though some believe they did in fact once roam the earth – whose power is contained in its horn (the ‘Alicorn’). **In medieval times, it was believed that the Alicorn could protect against illness and had the power to dissolve poison.** The Alicorn, like a magic wand, pours out divine energy. In many paintings and pop culture they are portrayed with wings as well as their Alicorn. In case you weren’t aware, Unicorns are considered virtuous, appearing only to those with pure hearts, on a mission for good, or those needing help.

Legends, myths and folkloric systems across the western world record legendary Unicorns. In heraldry, the Unicorn is the symbol of my mother’s home nation of Scotland, because this “proud and haughty beast” would rather die than be captured. Like the Unicorn, Scottish soldiers would fight to remain sovereign and unconquered, and yet, while much has been written about the mythological creature itself, less has been said about its Alicorn.

In most traditions, the Unicorn’s powerful Alicorn is thought to immediately eliminate poisons as soon as its tip touches liquid, and often symbolically represented by rivers, lakes, springs, and fountains. A common theme is that they cause other animals and people to wait for them to finish their magical purifying work before they drink. But how do Unicorns help me I asked my Grandma one summer? Her response – Unicorns grant wishes, carry qualities of love, peace, calm, gentleness, hope, majesty and enable caretakers (like me?). And now I remember her saying something I believe even more provocative – that Unicorns work with the spirit inside you, helping you fulfill your life’s purpose. . . and I will know I’m in the presence of one when I sense its overwhelming love.

From what I’ve learned, Unicorns help by offering support for dreams and aspirations, and **they communicate by nudging and inspiring.** People often report a sense of being pushed in ‘the right direction’, and that Unicorns often appear when most needed to answer questions, offer guidance, and grant wishes. For an optimistic person, the last several years have been a series of challenges with health, family and hope. For several weeks post-surgery last year and hospitalizations the previous year, I wasn’t even able to go down to see my horses, feel their gentle breath, hear their nickering call. . . an incredibly difficult emotional time for me. As time passed, my body began to heal, my horse-loving therapist gently nudged me and my physical therapy (while slow) gave me hope that maybe I’d once again feel the sun on my face while riding astride one of my beautiful ponies . . . and if dreams do come true, on the back of the magical filly I’d prayed for, born in my barn at a wee hour of the morning, the one with a special kind and sweet nature.

And then an interesting story before Christmas about Unicorns led to a remarkable dream . . . of me trying to look through moonlight, only to see a striking being moving towards me – emerging out of it, a beautiful Unicorn, but not white, a bay filly . . . with a beautiful white star on her forehead, a slip of white dripping down her face, and a dark Alicorn emerging directly from her young forehead. Walking towards me, she stops to light up my heart with her glow, and I sense love flowing from it to me. . . and then I wake.

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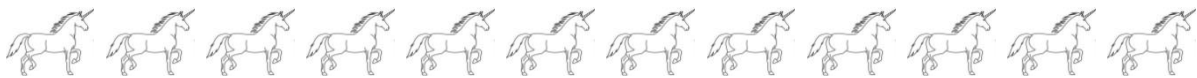


Take a closer look . . . do you feel the magic of a Unicorn?

Did the Fairies Hide Littles Alicorn?

By: Sandy Holder

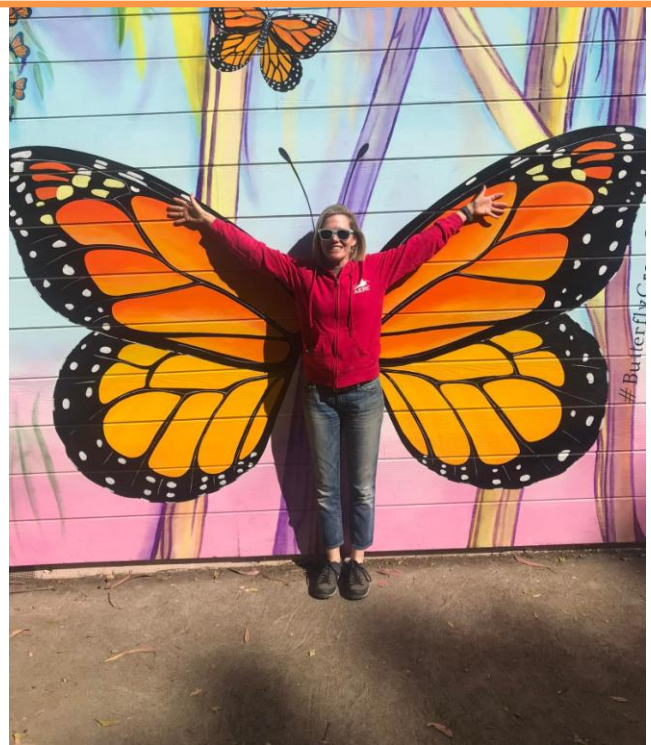
I still remember that dream. Thinking back, it's taken me some time to feel any sense of light from it . . . the weeks turn into months and a new year begins. New challenges that still break my heart, and yet, like a flame of love entering me, last night the dream returns . . . and this morning the sweet nicker and nuzzle Littles gives me as I'm cleaning her stall makes me take a closer look . . . a surprising sight between the eyes of my beautiful filly. The center of her star where an amazing white whorl existed, has now turned completely dark. I smile and lower my face into her young mane, shaking my head. My first thought – have the fairies watching over Unicorns (and all magical ponies) sent me a message? Maybe, just maybe the fairies have blessed my beautiful Midnight Sand (aka "Littles") by hiding her Alicorn, leaving only a darkened circle in the middle of her once all-white star, a vivid reminder of the hidden magic and blessings of love, peace and more, that I need to feel. . . the healing power of her Alicorn now "unseen", except in my dreams!



2022 QSER Club Calendar

- 12 Feb QSER Banquet
- 4/5 Mar AERC Convention
- 9 Jul QS Support to Fireworks Ride
- 11 Jul "Go Live" for QS Ride Entries
- 16 Jul QS Support to Tevis Cup
- 14 Aug QS Camping at Santa Cruz Horsemen's
- 10 Sep Kick-off Board Search Ctte
- Xx Sep QS-Sponsored Endurance Clinic
- 1 Oct QS Fall Classic Endurance Ride
- 15 Nov All Awards Nominations Due
- 18 Jan Election of 2023 Officers

In the mean time, our past President is enjoying her newfound freedom!



From Pat McAndrews: New Land Acquisition

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District just added to its 65,000 preserved acres by buying 42 acres in the Sierra Azule Preserve that rests on both sides of Mt Umunhum. This property is hemmed in by private property on every side but the south, and has a view of Lexington Reservoir. This acquisition makes the region owning over 19,000 acres that can be either preserved or utilized for recreation. The property was purchased for \$168,000. Total acreage now for Open Space that has been purchased since 1972 is 65,000 acres. It is doubtful that the area will open up anytime soon for horse riding, but helps create one more section of mountain protected from development and available for later use.

"I can accept failure. Everyone fails at something. But I can't accept not trying." - Michael Jordan

"When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change." - Warwick Schiller

Live a life you don't need a vacation from... or own a horse so you can't afford one anyway...

Book Review: The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

A novel

Based on a Depression-era project in America this is a breathtaking story of five women and their remarkable journey on horseback through the Appalachian Mountains.

In the Depression, those horrible years after 1929, the Appalachians were hit hard. Coal mines were being shut down. Lots of people lived in dire poverty. Eleanor Roosevelt developed The Packhorse Library Project a traveling library to deliver books to remote areas. The pack horse librarians, mostly women, rode circuits around 18 miles to 20 miles. They followed animal paths, fence lines. They would stuff their saddlebags or a pillowcase with books and strike out by horseback or mule to provide library services to the remote areas of the Kentucky Mountains. *

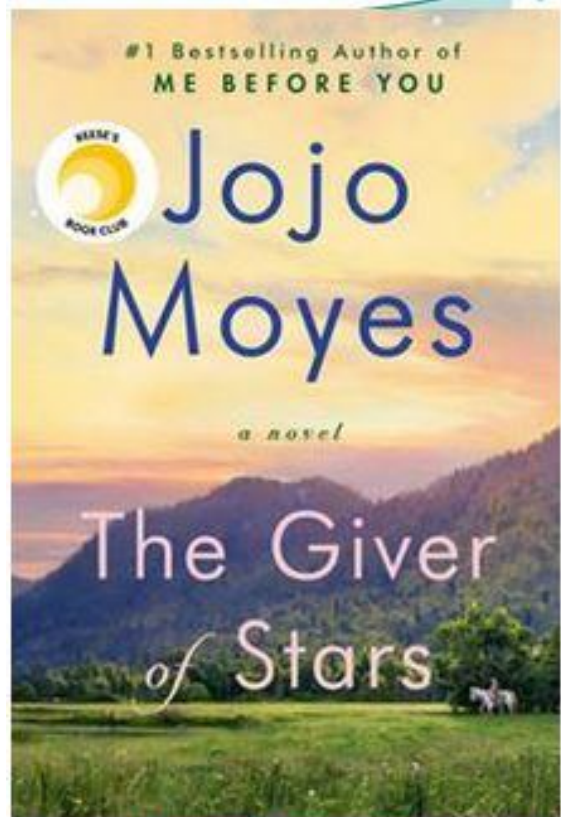
Alice, an English girl, marries an American to escape her stifling life in England. She lives in a small-town in Kentucky that quickly proves equally claustrophobic until she meets up with her greatest ally Margery, who is a smart talking, self sufficient woman who's never asked a man's permission for anything. They are joined by three other singular women who become known as the Packhorse librarians of Kentucky.

'Margery rode home deep in thought, nostalgic for times when all she had to think about was whether she had enough food for the next three days. As she often did, when her thoughts grew deep and cold, she murmured to herself under her breath. "It's not so bad. We're still here, aren't we, Charley boy? Books are still getting out there." The mule's big ears flicked back and forth so that she swore he understood her conversation.'

The women face all kinds of dangers but committed to their job: bringing books to people who have never had any, arming them with facts that will change their lives, they also travel through their own life discoveries and internal journeys. This is a rich rewarding novel of women's friendship, of true love and of what happens when we reach beyond our grasp for the great beyond.

Elaine Elbizri

***See NPR 7-minute video : The Packhorse librarians of Eastern Kentucky.**



Let's be careful out there

Horses can be dangerous.
It's up to all of us to be cautious
around them at all times

by Nick Kohut, DVM

Another new year is upon us. What this one will bring is probably anybody's guess and, based on the recent past, that guess will most likely be wrong. We will just have to take the bad with the good and strive to go on the best that we can.



By now everyone is at least somewhat familiar with the Equine Activity Liability Act. It is printed on the signs now posted at almost every equine facility and event. The specific words will differ by the state you find yourself in, but the general message is still the same. Anyone who participates or observes equine activities is opening themselves up to the possibility of injury as a result of the numerous inherent risks involved in such activities.

The laws then go on to discuss the limitations on the liability of those involved. The problem with seeing these signs all the time is that we can become forgetful of their basic message: Equines are dangerous. They do not have to be aggressive or uncontrollable to unintentionally cause harm to people.

A horse's kick travels in the vicinity of 50 mph. That is twice as fast as a professional-level boxer can throw a punch.

Recently one of my very good friends was injured after walking behind an equine. With no warning, the animal kicked back, hitting him with a glancing blow in the face. A trip to the hospital, some stitches, and a swollen black eye. He was extremely lucky.

I knew someone else who accidentally startled one of his horses while it was eating, and he ended up with a broken jaw. And, sadly, a number of years ago I had a client who lost his 9-year-old son. The boy was leading a draft horse into the barn behind a group of other horses when one kicked back, striking the boy in the chest, resulting in his death.

A horse's kick travels in the vicinity of 50 mph. That is twice as fast as a professional-level boxer can throw a punch. That gives you an indication of how difficult it is to dodge that kick. That kick exerts approximately 2,000 pounds of force per square inch. By comparison, a heavyweight boxer's punch lands about 1,420 pounds per square inch.

A tidbit I found on the internet stated that emergency room doctors liken an injury from being kicked by a horse to being hit by a car traveling 20 mph.

Equines are considered "flight or fight" animals with most preferring the flight option. However, when cornered or startled, an equine's natural reaction is to kick to defend itself. A startled equine kicking out behind is most likely trying to ward off a predator. The best way to prevent this from occurring is to always let your equine know where you are and what you are doing. I was taught to **try to keep my hand on their body as I walk around them.**

Until next month, I leave you with the illustrious words of Officer Phil Esterhaus from Hill Street Blues: "Let's be careful out there." ■

Reprinted from AERC's Endurance News publication. Submitted by Mary Anderson, because this is good information to have and remember!!

Quicksilver Endurance Riders (QSER) Club February 16, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

The Board meeting was held via Zoom on February 16, 2022. Call to Order by President Jerry Wittenauer at 7:05 p.m. In Attendance: Jerry Wittenauer, Nick Warhol, Elaine Elbizri, Maryben Stover and Margaret Hastings.

➤ Review of Committees and Reports:

➤ Technical

- Newsletter – Elisabet continues to do a wonderful job on the Newsletter.
- Website (Nick) – Updated the News section and cleaned up various old info and made general updates to the website. Elaine suggested members add a short bio about themselves. No decision was made on how to facilitate this. Nick will add bios for the original members (> 10 years).

➤ Trails (Carolyn)- No report.

➤ Membership – (Nick & Maryben) - 35 members have paid their 2022 dues. 21 members have not renewed as of now. Elaine volunteered to call those who have not renewed and Nick will send her a list. There was a discussion of how to include more members in Club meetings as the Board meetings are open to all members.

➤ Goodwill (Maryben) - A card was sent to Lori Oleson whose father passed away.

- Upcoming AERC Convention (Jerry) – Jerry will host a cocktail hour for members in attendance Thursday night at the Horseshow Bar 7-8 p.m. (up to \$300). He'll mention in the President's message.

➤ Financial (Nick) – Working on the Annual Report, Insurance and Income Taxes. Nick noted that the Quicksilver Fall Classic is the Club's only source of revenue and without a profit from the ride the club's financial resources will dwindle.

➤ Ride Committee Reports

- Support to Fireworks Ride – Jill Kilty-Newburn is the point person for the club.
- Plans & Prep for the Quicksilver Fall Classic (Jerry) – Plans for the ride are on track. Jerry may seek sponsors for buckles since it is our anniversary ride.

➤ Awards Committee Status – Banquet, Awards, Yearbook (Elaine) - Elaine will be acting as Board Chair and see that coordination of the banquet, awards and yearbook are delegated to club members.

Each QSER award has its own "Committee Chair" and "Committee Members" as outlined in the bylaws which are available on the QSER website. Discussion tabled until the next meeting.

➤ New Business (All) – None

➤ Old Business

- Trailer/Storage Container for QSER Fall Classic Ride Supplies – Jerry will research the market for trailer costs as well as container costs and report back.
- Upgrade at Harvey Bear – Jerry reported that the Parks Department is updating its long-range strategic plan for the Park and that may delay any decision on making the improvements requested by the Club.

➤ Calendar Updates (All) – Jerry provided an annual calendar of events that would appeal to the membership. He will post in the Quips.

➤ The Board meeting schedule will continue on the third Wednesday of the month via Zoom. The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. on March 16th. This is one hour earlier than previous Board meetings.

➤ The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Margaret Hastings

Trea\$urer'\$ report:

General Account Balance: **\$7,995**

Trails account Balance: **\$1.075**



Birthdays and other announcements



3/11 - Kiki Leuther, 3/13 - Jan Jeffers, 3/23 - Giulia Orth

A note on birthdays: I don't have a complete list of Quicksilver member's birth dates. If you feel inclined (and don't mind having your birthday date published), please send me a note. I don't want the year, just the month and day. Thanks! Eijsabet

Market Place

HORSE BOARDING FACILITY

20535 Rome Drive, San Jose, California.
Stalls: \$350.00, pasture \$280.00, fed twice a day high-quality orchard-alfalfa mix hay.
96' X 48' uncovered outdoor arena. We clean. Shavings available. 1.25 miles to entrance to the Quicksilver County Park (3600 acres and 19.2 miles of manicured trails). I provide my trailer for use to boarders. **Trilby – (408) 997-7500**

CENTERED RIDING® LESSONS

Help your horse use him/herself effectively while going down the trail. Take the stress out of your body and your horse's body. Find out how to have a better seat and make your horse more comfortable.
Centered Riding® lessons available with Level 3 Centered Riding instructor. Clinics available upon request. **Becky Hart (408) 425-5860**

Books by Julie Suhr --- Ten Feet Tall, Still and ...but it wasn't the horse's fault! are available for sale. All proceeds go to AERC Trails Fund and Center for Equine Health at UC Davis. Please contact Julie Suhr at: **(831) 335-5933**

Books by Lori Oleson --- Enduring Memories and Endurance... Years Gone By are available for sale. Re-live the adventures that tell the stories of horses and riders who made their way down the trail in the 1960s through the 1990's. Books are available by contacting Lori at **(408) 710-5651** or lorioleson@alumni.cpp.edu

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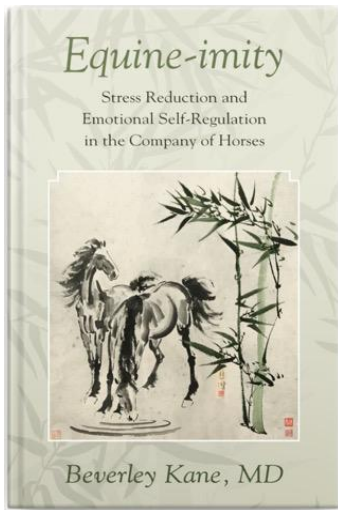


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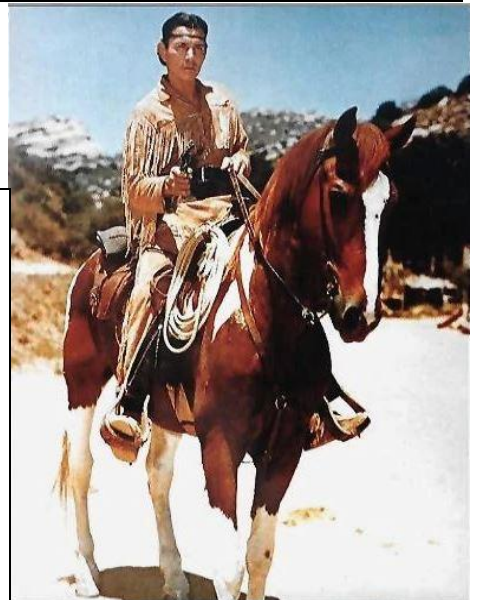
More famous Movie Horses...



Silver - According to the episode "The Legend of Silver" (September 30, 1938), before acquiring Silver, the **Lone Ranger** rode a chestnut mare called Dusty. The Lone Ranger saves Silver's life from an enraged buffalo, and in gratitude, Silver chooses to give up his wild life to carry him. The horse was so named by Tonto who once remarked that the horse's coat looked like silver. He was retired after a brief stand-in appearance in the 1956 movie, "The Lone Ranger", and was only used for close ups and head shots thereafter. In 1957, Silver won the Award for Excellence (Patsy). He lived out his days at the Ace Hudkin's stables in southern California.

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