



Quicksilver Quips

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President's Message – March 2016

The glitz, the glamour . . . who doesn't love an awards show?!

The glamorous stars of the evening arrive, the cameras flash, the awards sparkle and the excitement is palpable. The emcee announces the first award and a hush comes over the audience. "And the award for Horse of the Year goes to . . ."

Okay, so maybe we are not quite as glamorous as the Academy Awards, but we sure know how to put on a fun and festive event! A good crowd turned out at Harry's last month for our annual banquet to honor our club's stars and spend time with our fellow club members. Our annual trophies were presented to club members who had especially remarkable seasons. Special awards were presented to Trilby Pederson and Julie Suhr; each received a beautiful blanket featuring pictures of horses they have ridden over the years. Dr. Chuck Kessinger was also honored for his generosity and long-standing support of the club. It was a fun and festive evening and we need to thank all of those who make it possible, especially Mary Anderson who gracefully serves as our event mastermind and emcee.

If you attended the banquet you got to pick up your Club Calendar in person. Again this year the calendars were put together by Judith Ogus, while points and statistics were compiled by Jayne Perryman. This calendar is a major labor of love on Judith's part, takes many hours to complete, and costs the club a good amount of money to produce. Your board is wondering whether there is another way to commemorate the season and provide members with a keepsake that would be less labor intensive? Got thoughts and an opinion on this? Chat with your nearest board member and let them know how you feel.

The sun is shining – gotta get out and ride . . .

Jill



Quicksilver 2016 Calendar



Quicksilver Club Meeting—March 19
Quicksilver Club Meeting & Ride—April 20
Ice cream social at Trilby's—May ? (TBD)
Quicksilver Potluck Meeting & Ride—Calero—June 11
BBQ at Newburn's—July 16
Camp-out with SCCHA—combined meeting—August 27
Quicksilver Club Meeting—September 21 (location TBD)
Quicksilver Ride—October 1
Quicksilver Meeting & Ride—October 22 (location TBD)
Quicksilver Meeting (TBD)—Elections
Holiday party—December 3—Almaden Clubhouse

QSER Board Meeting—Feb. 6 2015

Harry's Hofbrau

Meeting called to order at 5:53 PM

Unfinished business:

1. Set schedule of board meetings for the year.

Saturday, March 19: riding meeting at Quicksilver, Hacienda entrance. 10:30 meeting, ride afterwards.

Wednesday, April 20: Tony and Alba's in Scotts Valley. (Pat will make reservations.) Rose Parade recap?
Dinner at 6, meeting at 6:45.

May, exact date TBD (Fri or Sat?): Ice cream social at Trilby's

Saturday, June 11: riding meeting at Calero, potluck and meeting at noon

Saturday, July 16: BBQ at Newburn's

Saturday, August 27: Camp-out & combined meeting with SCCHA. "Unbridled" from Trilby. (Focus on main ride details here)

(Tentatively) Wednesday, September 21: Location TBD. (pre-elections meeting)

Saturday, October 22: Riding meeting & ride wrap-up, location TBD

November meeting TBD: (elections)

Saturday, December 3: Trilby will request New Almaden Clubhouse for the Holiday Party

Postponed discussion on additional items until March meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM

Melissa Broquard, Secretary

Quicksilver Endurance Riders Treasurer's Report (March)

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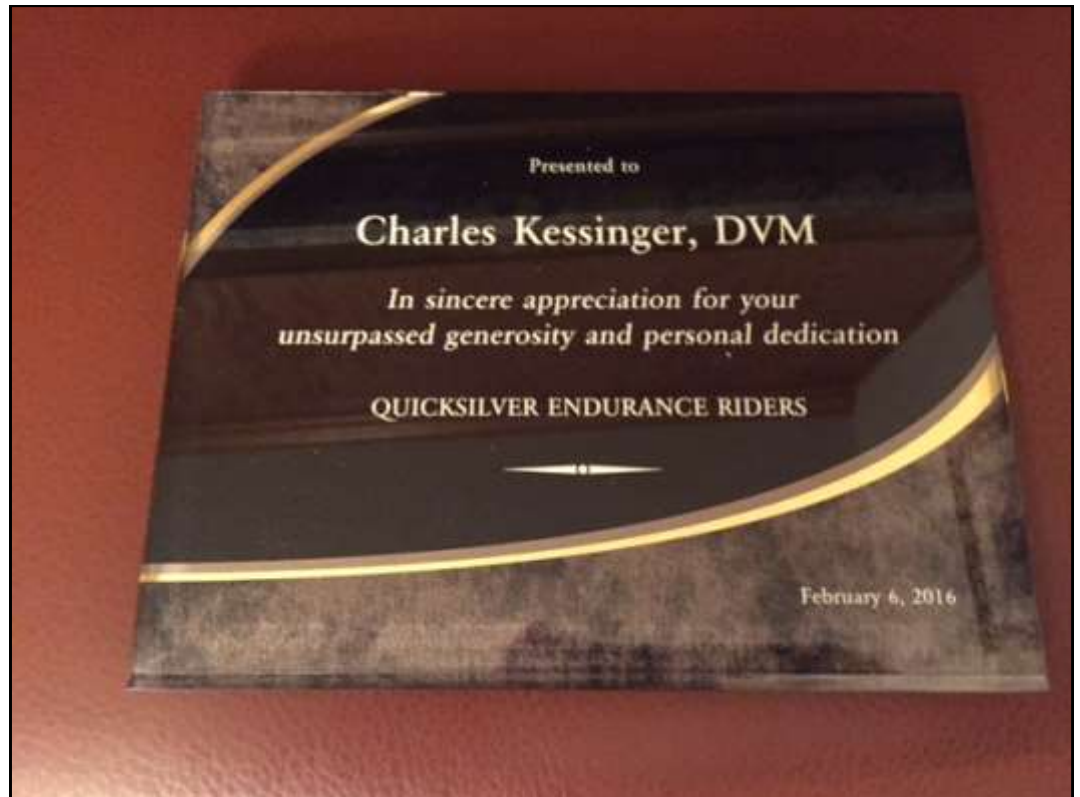
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\$ 454.38 - Junior Account

**Quicksilver Annual
Awards Banquet
February 6, 2016**



Chuck Kessinger receives a special award. On his way to the QSER banquet he received a call, so of course he stopped and then had to change into his nice clothes in a porta-potty along the way. Such dedication! Mrs. K was, of course, not surprised and just goes with the flow. She says that is a normal. She has the patience of a saint!



Award verbiage by Mary Anderson

2015 Season Quicksilver Hall of Fame Person

Chuck Kessinger, DVM

Chuck has probably contributed more to the extended careers of our horses than any other single individual. He has performed pre- and post-purchase exams, recommended that we buy or not buy a horse in an objective manner, and managed the well-being of the ones we bought (sometimes against his better judgement) for as long as possible. We have all appreciated his matter-of-fact, down-to-earth and straightforward manner in caring for our beasts, and so also for ourselves for many, many years—far beyond the day he threatened to retire.

He is dedicated to the animals and spends long hours in the field. Maryben can remember him stitching up one of her horses in the dark with one of his kids holding the horse and his wife (who I think was pregnant at the time) holding the flashlight. It was a lucky day, many years ago, when Bing said to Maryben, "Let's try that new young vet in Santa Cruz."

He has donated many hours to our club, including donating his time as head vet for our Fall Classic ride and donating his time as ride bet when the Quicksilver Juniors put on a ride and tie to earn money many years ago. The Quicksilver Endurance Riders are honored to induct Dr. Chuck into the Quicksilver Hall of Fame.

By Maryben Stover

Editor's note: When Lud and I were still breeding purebred Polled Herefords, one of our best cows, named Bess, was out calving somewhere in the dark. We finally found her, in a remote pasture, struggling to give birth. Chuck came out in the middle of the night, and helped deliver the calf, which unfortunately was dead. As I remember, it was in late December 1974, and the weather wasn't too kind at the time. Talk about dedication to one's service to horsemen and ranchers!

2015 Quicksilver Person of the Year

Julie Suhr

Julie Suhr on Rushcreek Aubie at the 2016 Rose Parade. This year we are honoring Julie for setting an example for the rest of us with her courage and perseverance in attending the parade.



The Quicksilver Thirteen

By Jayne Perryman

They came to the Mojave Desert, the Quicksilver Thirteen. Riding in trucks, trailers, quads and cars... The 2016 desert was suspiciously quiet and calm this year. The flowers were blooming from the rains of before and the 80 degree weather was not according to plan. There were many horses, riders and crew from California, states and countries afar. But they came to the Mojave Desert, the Quicksilver Thirteen. Who are the Quicksilver Thirteen?

They worked tirelessly from August 2015 to now on an inherited 20 Mule Team Ride. They had been a part of the workings for 25+ years before, but now where is Robert? Brian and Valerie Reeves are the first two of the Quicksilver Thirteen. This year's ride had amazing attendance and organization. Running a 100 mile ride, two 50 day rides, two LD rides and an introductory ride is no small feat. Bless you team members one and two of the Quicksilver Thirteen, without your hard work the Ride would be not.

Just days before the ride, a motorcycle rumbling was heard. A race of motorcycles on the same trail as 20 Mule Team - on the same day was planned. No fear, Nick Warhol and Judy Long are here! Trails were changed and timing was double checked...to keep as few cycles and horse together as possible. 1,400 ribbons, 150 pounds of flour and an untold number of glow bars were set. Nick and Judy make team members three and four of the Quicksilver Thirteen.

In transition from West to East, the fifth member of the Thirteen was supporting the ride as she has for many years. Melissa Ribley was vetting horses from Friday afternoon until end of Sunday. Many kudos to Melissa and Robert for putting on the 20 Mule Team Ride for a decade or more. Robert was not in attendance this year, but Melissa is the fifth member of the Quicksilver Thirteen.

The Queen of Parking, the Manager of Operations, the Driver of Rescue Trailers, the In and Out Timer, Overseer of the Finish Line, Giver of Awards...oh, who else could this be, but Mary. Everywhere, doing everything, keeping the order, keeping the peace...guiding us, supporting us and always keeping us true, it is Mary Anderson who is the sixth member of the Quicksilver Thirteen.

A vet and horsewoman of extraordinary talent came to the event and offered her help. At the long vet lines, she stepped in to take up the slack both at the base camp and at vet stops out on the ride. Our seventh member of the Quicksilver Thirteen is Michele Roush Rowe who has ridden the 20 Mule Team for 12 +/- times.

What a surprise to see the gal who was holding the stethoscope to my horse's girth at Vet Check Three doing P&Rs. She giggled at my dumping 30 mile horse, but she gladly told me of my daughter's progress through the 100 mile ride. Our eighth member of the Quicksilver Thirteen is Hillorie Bachmann.

With a young horse with a long difficult history, our ninth member of the Quicksilver Thirteen rode into the top ten of the 100 mile ride. This young horse has seen surgery too early in his career but has healed and grown into a strong athlete named Quicksilver WR carrying Sandy Holder to fifth place in the 100 at the 2016 Twenty Mule Team.

A member who has seen the endurance tradition in other countries and has a Tom Quilty Buckle next to her Tevis Buckle, Tracy Hofstrand is our tenth Quicksilver Thirteen member while placing top ten in the 50 mile ride on day one.

Two days of 50s is a challenge to most, but this Quicksilver member has seen and done more. A true supporter of the Quicksilver Club, Peggy Davidson and Great Balls of Fire took 13th and 10th place Saturday and Sunday, respectively in the 50 mile rides at 20 Mule Team. What a way to start a season Quicksilver Thirteen member number eleven!

As Quicksilver Thirteen members, twelve and thirteen, Jennifer and I enjoyed the club coming together to support a ride that in 36 years has continued the tradition of having a 100 mile endurance ride. Whether riding, managing or volunteering, the fact that Thirteen members of our little Northern California club step up to keep the tradition of a 100/50/30 mile ride in Southern California going is worthy of acknowledgement.

The Quicksilver Thirteen are:

Brian Reeves
Valerie Reeves
Nick Warhol
Judy Long
Melissa Ribley
Mary Anderson
Michele Roush Rowe
Hillorie Bachmann
Sandy Holder
Tracy Hofstrand
Peggy Davidson
Jennifer Perryman

Mary Anderson otherwise known as Saint Mary, who shall be obeyed at the 2016 Twenty Mule Team Ride



Of History and Tragedy

By Barbara McCrary

Lud McCrary's great-grandfather, Joshua Grinnell, his wife Elizabeth, and his step-son, Vid Trumbo, came to California from Iowa in the late 1860s, finally settling along Big Creek in what is now known as Swanton, in 1869. The family is now in its seventh generation and has never left this land. The photo below shows Josh on the right, with Vid, age 52, just behind the haystack on the left, showing only head and shoulders. The photo was taken by the noted photographer, Edward Leland Gifford in 1901. Notice in the left background the tall redwood snag, possibly killed by a fire of long ago. This snag was said to have been there in 1869 when the family first bought and settled this quarter-section of land. Obviously, it was there in 1901, 115 years ago.

Lud had built an arena under it in the 1940s so he could train an unbroke horse for himself to ride. In the 1950s, Lud's dad hosted Sunday evening volleyball games under this tree, inviting neighbors and the young men from the nearby CDF (California Department of Forestry) fire-fighting camp to join in. After an evening of vigorous games, we all had ice cream provided by Lud's mother.

Our eldest daughter, Susan, married Butch Huff under the trees near this snag in 1979.

Lud's nephew, Ken McCrary, lives on the same site as the original Grinnell home, though the house has been rebuilt a couple of times. Ken's wife, Quicksilver member Jeanine, kept her horses in pipe paddocks amongst a few trees in back of the house and near the snag.

On the afternoon of January 22nd, this year, the old snag gave up its watchfulness over all the activities that had taken place in its domain—and fell. It fell between a couple of fruit trees planted by Lud's mother, decades ago. It missed Ken and Jeanine's house by a mere 20 feet. But it caught Jeanine's new horse, her much-loved, "perfect horse", a gaited Rocky Mountain Horse named Red Ryder. He was killed instantly.

The entire family is mourning his passing, sorrow for the loss of the horse's future possibilities, and grief for Jeanine, who is still coping with her loss.





Red Ryder

July 16

Come Run or Walk
and support two
local Non-Profits!

HOOFS AND WOOFs
5K FUN RUN



Harvey Bear County Park



Dogs are welcome but
must be on non-retractible
lead. Dog owners are
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Fun for all ages!

Registration begins at 8am with a pancake breakfast to follow the race.
Registration inclusive of runner packet, medal and pancake breakfast.
Adults ages 12 and up: \$35, Kids ages 12 and under: \$20. Learn more at:
<https://hwFunRun.eventbrite.com>.

All proceeds to benefit Operation Freedom Paws and DreamPower
Horsemanship two local non-profits whose missions help our veterans
and others with disabilities by providing service animal and animal
therapy to their clients.

Learn more at:

www.DreamPowerHorsemanship.com & www.Operationfreedompaws.org

TTouch for You and Your Horse
Rancho Ruiz, Gilroy, CA
March 11-13, 2016

Instructor: Linda Tellington-Jones

Training location:

Rancho Ruiz
Deb Timms
993 Day Road
Gilroy, CA 95020
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Local Coordinator:

Judith Ogus
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Tellington TTouch Training Inc.
1713 State Road 502 Santa Fe, NM 87506
Phone: 800-854-8326 Fax: 505-455-7233
kirsten@TTouch.com
www.TTouch.com

Schedule:

Day 1: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM
(please arrive at 9:15 AM)
Day 2: 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Day 3: 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Tuition March 11-13, 2016: \$565.00 before January 13, 2016 if tuition is paid in full. \$645.00 after.
Payable to the Tellington TTouch Office. (Lunch is included in the tuition.)

Auditing: one-day auditing cost: \$115.00 (Lunch is included)

A \$300.00 deposit is due at the time of registration to hold a space in the class. The balance is due 30 days prior to the start of the training. **Please note, if you pay your deposit with a credit card, the balance will automatically be charged to the same card 30 days prior to the start of the class unless you request otherwise.*

Three ways to Register:

- Online at www.ttouch.com select *Trainings & Workshops, Register for an Event*
- * Mail a check to our office made payable to Tellington TTouch Training and note the course session in the memo line.
- Call our office to pay with your Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover card

Tellington TTouch Training Cancellation Policy: Tellington TTouch Training reserves the right to cancel a session if necessary because of circumstances beyond our control or when enrollment is deemed insufficient. In this case all deposits, tuitions and the processing fees will be refunded. We recommend that you purchase flight and hotel insurance for each event for which you register.

Tellington TTouch Training Participant Cancellation Policy: For cancellations made more than 30 days in advance of the training, a refund will be given minus a \$100.00 administration fee. No refunds are possible for cancellations less than 30 days prior to the start of the training. If you have to cancel, \$300.00 is nonrefundable but you may apply the rest of the deposit to another training that must be attended within one year of your cancellation date.

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Meals: Coffee and tea will be provided in the mornings by Rancho Ruiz. We will also provide lunches that will include vegetarian choices. If you have any special dietary needs, please bring your own food. Dinner will not be provided.

If you are traveling to the class:

Airport: San Jose International Airport or San Francisco International Airport

Lodging: <http://www.gilroyvisitor.org/lodging.ph>

Camping:

Camping is allowed at Rancho Ruiz if arranged in advance. \$15.00 per night with no hook ups and \$25 with hookup.

Another lodging option to consider: www.airbnb.com

Bed & Breakfast listings and rooms in private homes

DIRECTIONS to the Farm:

101 to Gilroy, West on Masten Exit, Go to second stop light Santa Teresa and turn left (about 1 mile) Go about 1 mile to Day Rd West and turn right, 1st driveway on the right 993 Day Road

Bringing your own horse to the training: You are welcome to bring your own horse to the training but it is not necessary, as you will still have an opportunity for plenty of hands on work. **If you do want to bring your horse you must let us know in advance and register your horse as soon as possible as horse space is limited so it will be on a first-come basis.** To register your horse online, go to www.ttouch.com, select *Trainings & Workshops*, then select *Register Your Horse*.

Stabling information for your horse:

Overnight fee is \$15.00 per night, per horse. If you need or want shavings you must bring your own. Bring a bucket and your feed. You are responsible for cleaning your own stall. If stalls are not cleaned of all hay, shavings and poop before you leave you will be charged an extra \$15. Your horse should be healthy and in good shape. Please check with your vet for any outbreak status before leaving. For the safety of The Farms chickens **No dogs allowed during clinics**
Please register your horse with The TTouch office **AND** Deb Timms (Rancho Ruiz) 408-309-0538.

Weather & Clothing:

The weather in March in Gilroy, California is usually very pleasant. daytime temperatures should range from 60° - 75°. However if we do experience an El Niño year, it could be rainy. Bring rain gear. Evenings and morning are cooler, usually in the mid-thirties - to mid-fifties. Bring plenty of sun block, sun glasses, hat/visor, and sunblock for your horse if he/she requires it. Make sure to bring water. The indoor arena is usually quite comfortable regardless of outside temperatures. Our advice is to dress in layers!

Equipment:

TTEAM Wand, 4' White Dressage Whip

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TTEAM Lead with 28 chain or zephyr lead.

The wand and lead are essential items for a TTEAM training. If you have them, bring them with you. If you do not have a wand and lead, they will be available for sale at the clinic.

If you have any other TTEAM equipment, i.e., TTEAM driving lines, Balance Rein, Lindell or ace bandages, it would very helpful to have them on hand

Please be sure your items are well marked for easy identification.

Equipment, videos and books will be available for purchase.

Required Reading:

Before attending the training we suggest you become acquainted with Linda's new book, The Ultimate Training and Behavior Book and that you view the DVD Solving Riding Problems With TTEAM, From the Ground. If you purchase a second TTEAM video or DVD of your choice prior to the training, you will receive 50% off that video. These items may be purchased on our web site:

www.TellingtonTTouch.com ~ or call the TTEAM office to place your order. Phone: 800-854-8326

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Tellington *TTouch* Training®

TTEAM - Tellington TTouch Equine Awareness Method Training - Gilroy, CA
March 11-13, 2016
DATA SHEET

Please complete this form and return to
the TTouch Office no later than one month before the training.

Your Name _____

Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Emergency Contact (Name, phone number and e-mail): _____

I am bringing a horse. yes no

I have signed my horse up with the facility. yes no

Accommodations: Please make your arrangements with the hotel of your choice, then fill in the following:

Accommodations:

I am staying at: _____

Transportation:

Flying in/out of: _____

Arrival Date & Time: _____ Airline & Flight # _____

Departure Date & Time: _____ Airline & Flight # _____

I am willing to share my car: Yes No with (#) _____ people

I would like assistance with arranging a ride share: Yes no

Classifieds

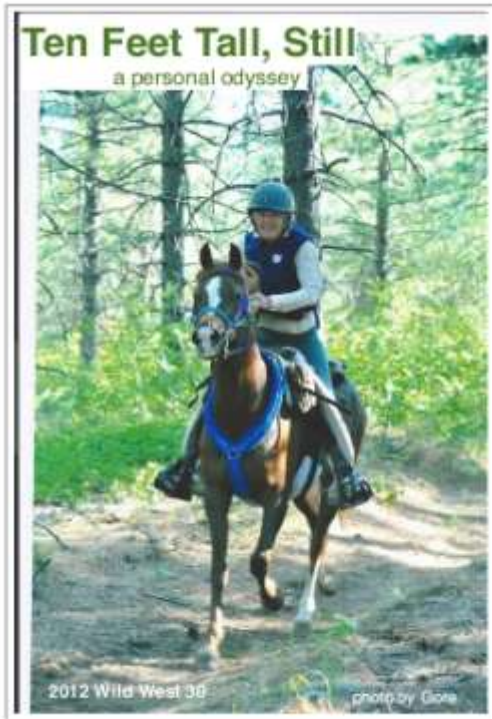


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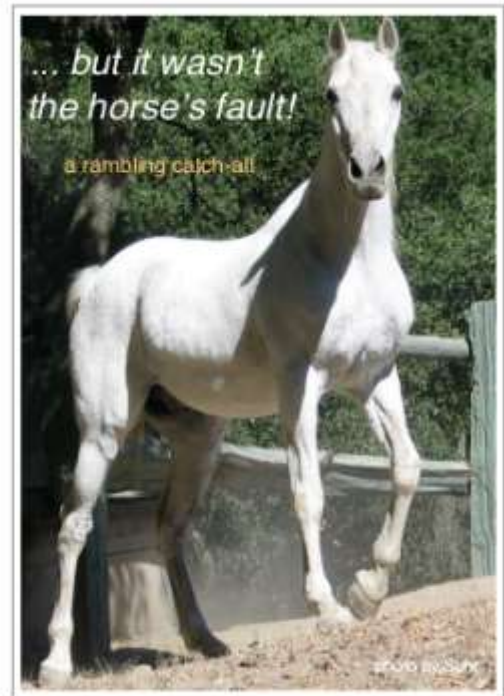
To benefit our trails and our horses, I have written two books. They are entirely different in style.

1. **Ten Feet Tall, Still** is out-of-print, but available as an e-book from Amazon, Barnes and Noble and others. All proceeds to **AERC Trails Fund** and **WSTF Trails Fund** for preservation of horse trails. \$9.99
2. **...but it wasn't the horse's fault!** Available from Marinera Publishing, www.marinerapublishing.com All proceeds to **CENTER FOR EQUINE HEALTH**, School of Veterinary Medicine, Davis, California \$24.95



by
Julie Suhr

You are never quite the same after you ride a good horse.



"TEN FEET TALL, STILL"

My first book, *Ten Feet Tall, Still*, is out of print, but is now an e-book for downloading at Amazon, Barnes and Noble and some other places. One Hundred Percent of the proceeds go to the AERC Trails Fund and the WSTF Trails Fund.

Julie Suhr (831) 335-5933

Offered for Sale

Hungarian Shagyas. One is a gelding, age 15, well-trained, a beautiful bay. The other is a pure Shagya mare, age 16, well trained for trail riding, good breeding quality and both sired by the Hungarian Shagya stallion, Oman. Oman has produced both a Tevis winner and Tevis Best Condition horse. A bit more info about the bloodlines of my Hungarian horses for sale...Besides the pure Hungarian bloodlines there are Arabian bloodlines that include Bezatal, Cougar Rock, Gulastra, and other Polish lines.

These horses live in a 300-acre pasture.
Photos can be provided.

Carolyn Tucker, Amara Farms (408) 779-6555.

Classifieds and Services

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Are you curious about how craniosacral therapy can improve your riding, your horse's gaits and total well being? Craniosacral therapy can enable structural and emotional balance to yourself or your horse by working through and releasing old physical and/or emotional traumas (whether you remembered it or not!) in relaxing non-invasive bodywork sessions.

Are you uncomfortable while riding? I also offer saddle fit and gait evaluations for both you and your horse, unmounted and mounted, to help you identify and trouble shoot sticky spots as a Better Balance Session. I look at all aspects from rider imbalance to hoof imbalance and offer solutions to achieve Better Balance between you and your horse as a whole so that you can go the distance with joy.

We can discuss your issues and curiosities in detail in a free no-obligation telephone or email consultation. Please contact me to schedule a phone conversation or just shoot me an email!

Kathy Mayeda, EBW-CST, CMT
(408) 763-0977
klmayeda@gmail.com

From Guilia Zanone Orth

Just wanted to let you know that (for budget reasons) I've freed up my spot on Linda's 3-day clinic in Gilroy, March 11, 12, and 13. So there is place for one horse and rider open. Linda is amazing and I hope one of you will enjoy going instead of me. My horse loved the experience when we attended a few years ago and I learned a lot about myself, horsemanship, and my horse. It truly changed me and my way with horses, plus you'll enjoy connecting with other super star participants and teachers.

See ad on pages 9-11 in the Quips for the event short description and entry form with more details. You can send your completed form, page 12, to Kirsten: kirsten@TellingtonTraining.com First come, first served.

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Stalls: \$320.00, pasture \$220.00,
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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.

My place borders Quicksilver Park.

Trilby – (408) 997-7500

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Take the stress out of your body and your horse's body.
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PRINTING SERVICES

For Quicksilver club ride managers. Our club now has a color duplex printer that is located in the home of Becky and Judith. You can do the printing at the cost of 25¢ per page color and 6¢ per page B&W, if you provide the paper. If you e-mail the printable files to Becky, she will do the printing for you at the cost of 27¢ per page color and 8¢ per page B&W, including the paper.

E-mail **Becky: bghart@garlic.com**

Humor and Birthdays

Father O'Connor walks into a pub and says to the first man he meets, "Do you want go to heaven?" The man replies, "Yes, Father."

Father O'Connor then says, "Leave this bar right now, and go outside." O'Connor proceeds to another man, and asks him the same thing. The chap also answers, "Yes." Father O'Connor asks him too to go out.

The Reverend Father goes the third man and asks, "Would you like to go to heaven? " This time the reply is, "No thank you, Father." Surprised, Father O'Connor asks, "Why not?" The man opines, "I mean I do, but only after I die."

The Father O'Connor explains, "That's what I am talking about." The man says, "Oh, I thought you are getting a group ready right now."

An Englishman, a Scotsman and an Irishman were without tickets for the opening ceremonies of the summer Olympics but hoped to be able to talk their way in at the gate. Security was very tight, however, and each of their attempts was met with a stern refusal.

While wandering around outside the stadium, the Englishman came upon construction site, which gave him an idea. Grabbing a length of scaffolding, he presented himself at the gate and said, "Johnson, the pole vault," and was admitted.

The Scotsman, overhearing this, went at once to search the site. When he came up with a sledge hammer, he presented himself at the gate and said, "McTavish, the hammer." He was also admitted.

The Irishman combed the site for an hour and was nearly ready to give up when he spotted his ticket in. Seizing a roll of barbed wire, he presented himself at the gate and announced, "O'Sullivan, fencing."

Happy March Birthdays to our Quicksilver Members and Endurance Friends



Peggy Davidson	2
Jennifer Perryman	3
Carolyn Tucker	11
Kiki Leuther	11
Jan Jeffers	13
Diane Enderle	13
Jeanine McCrary	14
Skip Lightfoot	20
Jerrod Voight	22
Giulia Orth	23
Janett Van Nuland	24

More Humor



www.funnyhorsecartoons.com

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 (under 16 years of age) membership is \$ 15 _____

Family membership is \$ 40 _____

If you want a printed copy of Quips mailed to you (as opposed to PDF file e-mailed) add \$10 _____

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; 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 dues, checks made out to: Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.

**Mail to Membership Chairperson: Maryben Stover
1299 Sandra Drive
San Jose, CA 95125-3535
(408) 265-0839**

May your and your horse(s) have a wonderful year riding together as Quicksilver Endurance Riders!!!

"Life outside of endurance? I don't think so."

Dave Rabe

"Nothing can stop a man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude."

Thomas Jefferson

Mission Statement of Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.

QSER exists to promote the sport of endurance riding by conducting endurance rides and advocating for equestrian trails. It seeks to provide a model for the highest standards of sportsmanship and horsemanship within the context of this sport. It supports and provides educational events and leadership in each of these areas.

**Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.
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New Almaden, CA 95042**

