

The San Mateo HORSEMAN

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TEVIS CUP - 1980
By Hugh Bryson

Ride results indicate 229 riders began the 26th. Tevis Cup 100 mile, one day ride at 5:00A.M. July 26, 1980 at Squaw Valley, Ca. 131 completed the ride, some as late as 5:05A.M. Sunday, July 27th. The winner, Loriley Stewart, completed at 9:41P.M. Saturday with a riding time of 12 hours and 30 minutes!

Wendell Robie, the founder of this world-famous ride, also the winner of the Tevis Cup 4 times and the Haggin Cup 1 time, quoted Alexander Mackay Smith as having stated in 1962, "The competition for the Tevis Cup Award for horsemanship to the rider of the first horse to finish in good condition in the Western States 100 miles, one day ride, requires a degree of courage and fitness on the part of both horse and rider, which is fully comparable to the speed and endurance test of the Olympic three day event."

Every finisher is to be congratulated for a job well done!

In 1980 the horses that started all looked fine, in better condition probably than ever before. This statement is sustained in part by the fact that 1980 was a hot year. In 1977, another hot year, Hal Hall won the ride in 14 hours and 15 minutes. He also received the Haggin Cup in 1972 and 1978.

This year it was our pleasure to ride with Hal and El Karbaj, who was the first Frontier person in. This is a new award for those who compete and complete without assistance from a crew or friends. The rider must take care of the horse with no assistance from anyone.

The first group of 10 riders left at 5A.M. Saturday and another group left every two minutes until everyone was gone.

Rajab and I were in group 18, which meant 170 horses were on the trail already. A lot of the trail is only 18" wide, so moving to the front as Loriley did (she was in group 14) is quite an accomplishment.

What a sight to see! 229 horses climbing to Squaw Peak, past the Emigrant Trail Monument, on the crest of the Sierra Nevada. A brief pause and a look over the shoulder reveals the dawn in every direction over Lake Tahoe. An unforgettable scene of grandeur and color, a sapphire setting under towering peaks and rugged mountains.

The beautiful Western States Trail continues over the Sierra Nevada and is as primitive as when it was ridden as the route of the fleet footed Washoe Indians. Great granite stones 24" in diameter and larger were everywhere. A lot of lameness develops in this area and in other treacherous spots along the way to Robinson Flat, the first one hour mandatory veterinary stop.

The notorious "Cougar Rock" came next, about 20 miles out. We waited our turn to go over single file. Charlie Barrieau and Cindy Tough were photographing horses prior to Cougar, with Milinda Hughes and staff at the rock.

"Elephant Trunk" came next, a rather precarious area too, but after more rocks, more dust, there was finally a beautiful creek about 4 miles from Robinson. The trail there-on to Robinson and then to Last Chance is quite nice, some shade, some jeep roads, some change in scenery, but, getting hotter.

Temperature in the canyons was probably 120 degrees. After tailing most of the climb to Devil's Thumb, Rajab and I really enjoyed the rest, hay and refreshments. It was here that several vets commented on the excellent condition of Rajab. El Dorado Canyon went well and the climb into Michigan Bluff was relatively easy for Rajab. This was his 5th. Tevis Cup ride, with a finish record of 4 out of 5. He looked and felt great at Michigan Bluff, where we joined friend Jack Garnett on Ntiko Saracen. We rode through Volcano Canyon together, thru Forest Hills, Todd Valley and over to White Oak Flat. This was where Loriley became the leader for certain. Rajab and I were in 8th. position and I was elated to think we might finish top 10 and have an opportunity to possibly be judged for best condition.

Without further consultation, Rajab decided to go on to Robie Point at an accelerated pace, passing 5 more horses and riders, so, at Pointed Rock we were number three, at that time riding with Rick Stewart on Natomas. Here again the vets were very complimentary concerning Rajab's condition, attitude and alertness. He was just in unbelievable condition and so willing to go the next 6.2 miles. We rode that section alone as Rick had gone on, but he had left in group six so we had no problem finishing 2nd.

The finish line and stadium were both welcome sites. A lot of joy, sorrow, smiles, tears, surges of energy - more emotion in a 100 miles than perhaps in a year of a non-endurance rider's life.

This was my first year of riding this incredible horse who stands 14:1, although I had acquired him in November 1975. Lynda Walker rode him for 4 years. He came in top ten on his second endurance ride in 1976 and has been consistently a top ten horse ever since. He has been judged Best Condition in 3 out of 4 American River Rides and many others, including 5 out of 8 in 1980 alone.

Sunday morning July 27th. at 11:00A.M. the cup committee, along with the veterinary committee re-checked all the top 10 horses that wished to show. As a group they all looked excellent, so it must have been a difficult decision. The contestant who is rated with superior performance by the cup committee among the first ten in elapsed time and whose horse has been found by the veterinary committee to be in the most superior condition to "go on" shall be the winner of the Haggin Cup.

At the awards banquet when Rajab's Haggin Cup award was presented by Wendell Robie it was indeed a thrill for the owners, Lynda Walker and myself, the rider of this fabulous mount. Kathy Brock and Colleen Walker were the crew and they shared in the glory as we all did.

This 100 mile, one day ride is the ultimate challenge. I failed to complete 4 times on other horses. In 5 attempts, my completion record is one, but, the horse received Best Condition and placed second, so it was well worth the delay.

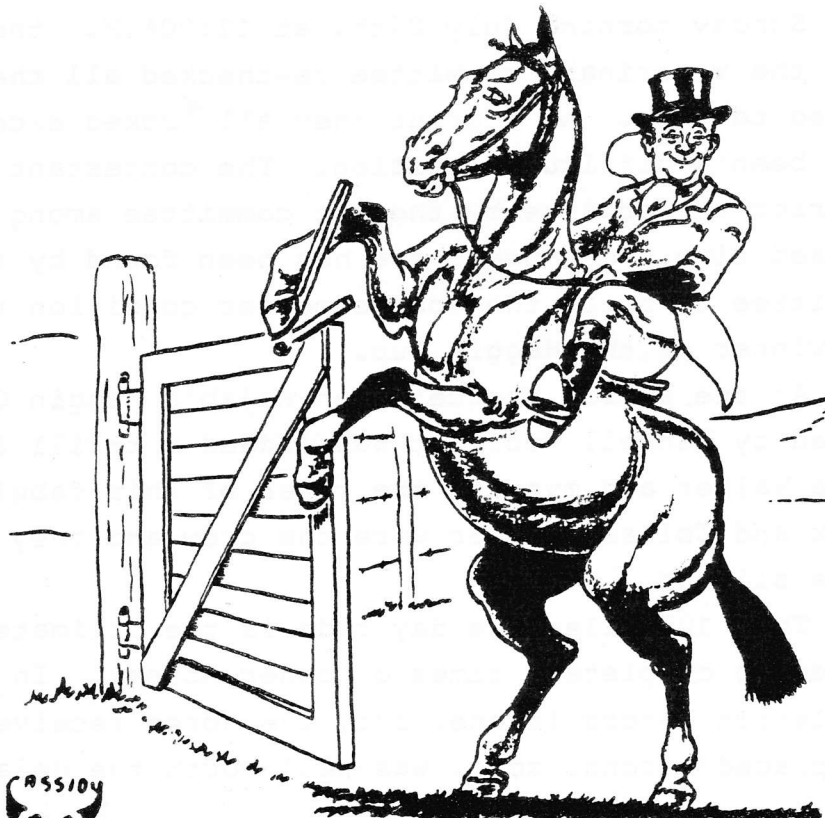
Easy-Rider with Lynda riding finished strong too!

When Lynda and I finished the Honolulu Marathon in 1978, we noticed a very well endowed middle aged woman who ran the entire 26.2 miles and across the finish line with a T shirt that said "Nothing is impossible." On the back it said "The impossible just takes longer..."

Rajab did the impossible with me, since my total weight was 184 pounds against Lynda's 135. But, he was conditioned with the weight and trained since January to do what he had to do, and he did it well.

Riders get very close to their horses on this kind of ride. I'll probably change mounts next year and won't be heard of until I get the 1000 miles 10 days award 9 years hence.

It was indeed a great pleasure to participate in the 26th Annual Tevis Cup Ride. It was enjoyable and fun, which is what endurance riding is all about.



HANDY HUNTER

MAILINGS

In the last meeting notice I asked the members to let me know if there were delays receiving it, and the results have been amazing.

One member called on the 25th and said she had just received the notice, which is 11 days after it was mailed. I would like to request that any member receiving the mailer late notify his postmaster. I am going to review the problem with the postmaster in Redwood City and see what to try next. (Adding 'TIME VALUE' to the front of the mailer didn't make much of an impression.)

Meanwhile, we will continue to give as much future information as possible in each mailer, so it would be a good idea to make a note of any event you would like to attend even though it is a month away.

It is a considerable savings to use bulk rates so if possible we would like to continue to use them.

Any suggestions you might have would be appreciated.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please let us know when you are planning to move. If we send a notice to your previous address there is a \$.25 charge the Post Office makes for notifying us.

MISSING MEMBER

Caroline Anderson has apparently moved from San Carlos. We would appreciate it if she would drop us a note so we can send her her

mailings.

WHERE TO?

Please send changes of address or suggestions to

Registrar

San Mateo County Horseman's Association

P.O. Box 4092

Woodside, Ca 94062

-or-

call MaryClaire Wellman (Registrar) at 856-0186.

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This year the Arabian Horse Registry of America has established the "LEGION OF HONOR CHAMPION" award program for outstanding accomplishments in Endurance and Competitive Racing.

This award was presented at the Cow Palace to RAJAB, an eleven year old purebred Arabian gelding owned by Lynda Walker and Hugh Bryson of Woodside, for his outstanding achievements.

RAJAB'S Endurance racing career began in 1976 and he has completed 32 races of 50 to 100 miles each, totaling 1875 race miles. He has placed in the TOP TEN in 25 races and won the very coveted "BEST CONDITION" award an incredible ELEVEN TIMES! The best condition award is judged by the Veterinarian Committee of each ride.

RAJAB won Reserve National Champion in the International Arabian Horse Association 50 mile race in 1976. In 1977 and again in 1980 he was National Champion.

In 1980 this little, but mighty, 14:1 hand gelding, weighing only 820 pounds has carried 184 pounds of tack and his rider, Hugh Bryson, through 11 races, with a First place, three Seconds, and four Third place finishes. Even more outstanding is his record of 6 Best Condition awards this year alone, carrying 50 more pounds of rider and tack than ever before.

RAJAB'S attitude that "No challenge is too great" was best displayed last July by his Second place finish in the famous 100 mile Tevis Cup Race. RAJAB went over the grueling Sierra Nevada from Squaw Valley to Auburn in a little over 13 hours, finishing just minutes behind the winner. RAJAB won the Haggin Cup for Best Condition. With each passing year RAJAB'S performance and attitude improves, a trait inherent in this hearty breed.

Since this article was received, I learned that RAJAB placed Fifth in the San Antonio Ride at Lake Nacimiento. RAJAB was in the 100 mile division and was the Best Condition award winner. His stablemate, Easy Rider carrying young Cathy Brock on her first endurance ride, placed Tenth in the 55 mile division.

LEGION OF HONOR AWARD

The Legion of Honor Award, the first level of the Achievement Awards Program, was established by the International Arabian Horse Association to recognize those horses who have achieved an outstanding record in the show ring in either Halter or Performance Classes, or the Competitive and Endurance Ride area. From among the thousands of horses who compete in shows and rides throughout the United States and Canada, only 127 horses have qualified for the award as of this date: October 8, 1980.

Horse's Name: RAJAB+ 60556

Sire: Gayrson 10525

Dam: Surobe Wahde 31325

Bred by: Hugh S. Goddard
Winters, California

Owned by: Lynda N. Walker
& Hugh Bryson, Woodside

RAJAB qualified for the Legion of Honor Award, by earning points in twenty-five Endurance Rides. RAJAB'S outstanding record is as follows: Completion of Four 100 mile rides, with one second and one fourth place; Completion of One 75 mile ride with one second place; Completion of Twenty 50 mile rides with one first, three seconds and four thirds. This is truly an impressive record.

NEW OFFICERS FOR THE CALIFORNIA STATE HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

At the CSHA convention held in San Jose in November we elected the new officers for 1981. The race for president was a hard fought contest between four men. Adolph Schmidt and Steve Herrera defeated Bob Conner and Gary Gustafson on the first ballot. Then the entire roll call went through the voting process again. When the counting was finally over Steve Herrera had defeated Adolph Schmidt. The new officers for 1981 are as follows;

PRESIDENT: STEVEN J. HERRERA

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PRESIDENT: GARY PACINI

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PRESIDENT:

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REGION SIX OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
ELECTS 1981 OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT: CHARLIE BARKER- Santa Cruz

1ST. VICE

PRESIDENT: SHEILA KENDALL-San Francisco

2ND. VICE

PRESIDENTS: CAROL ANNE SWEENEY-San Mateo Co.

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STATE HORSEMASTERSHIP AWARDS

August 12, 1981 Sonoma County Fairgrounds, Santa Rosa

The State Champions are as follows;

Combined Girl: Kristy Bennett, Danville, Region 5. English Boy: Lin Collins, Sacramento, Region 3. English Man: Doug Davis, Gilroy, REGION SIX. English Girl: Nina Stradine, Alamo, Region 5. English Woman, Michelle Moretti, Stockton, Region 4. Western Boy: Howard Raines, Byron, Region 5. Western Girl: Brigitte Simmross, Fresno, Region 15. Western Woman: Leyla Akol, Lafayette, Region 5. Gymkhana Boy: Albert Pritchard, Sebastopol, Region 1. Gymkhana Girl: Valerie Leeman, Hacienda Heights, Region 7. Gymkhana Woman: Michelle Villalovos, Manteca, Region 1.

The State Reserve Champions are as follows;

Combined Girl: Sarah Hackett, Napa, Region 1. Combined Woman: Mary Giraudo, Santa Cruz, REGION SIX. English Girl: Kim Smith, Fresno, Region 5. Western Boy: Joe Morris, Ferndale, Region 3. Western Girl: Mahre Mackay, Pleasanton, Region 5. Western Woman: Linda Voyles, Saratoga, REGION SIX. Gymkhana Boy: Troy Messerli, Sepulveda, Region 7. Gymkhana Girl: Joni Corley, Martinez, Region 5. Gymkhana Woman: Pam Langum, Manteca, Region 4.

The trophy for the highest written score in the Junior Division went to Cheryl Hyde, Lodi, Region 4. The score was 346 points of a possible 350. The trophy for the highest written score in the Adult Division went to Doug Davis, Gilroy, REGION SIX. The score was 327 of a possible 350 points. The trophy for the highest riding score in the Junior Division went to Brigitte Simmross, Fresno, Region 15. The score was 537 out of a possible 600. The trophy for the highest riding score in the Adult Division went to Michelle Villalovos, Sebastopol, Region 1. The score was 502 out of a possible 600. The Denzil Gallaher Trophy for the highest overall score in the Junior Division went to Valerie Leeman, Hacienda Hights, Region 7. The score was 909 3/4 points out of a possible 1000. The trophy for the highest overall score in the Adult Division was Michelle Villalovos, Sebastapol, Region 1 with a score of 851 3/4 out of a possible 1000.

HORSEMASTERSHIP CONT.

Perfect scores were obtained in these categories by these people

CONFORMATION & FEEDING

Cheryl Hyde

UNSOUNDNESS, DISEASES & INJURIES

Susie McFadden, Nina Stradine, Cheryl Hyde, Cindy Dench, Sandy Brewer
Valerie Leeman, Michelle Washburn, Linda Voyles

PARTS OF SKELETON

Brigitte Simross, Susie McFadden, Denyse Wilkey, Nina Stradine,
Cheryl Hyde, Cindy Dench, Howard Raines, Albert Pritchard, Troy
Messerly, Linda Voyles, Doug Davis.

PARTS OF THE HORSE

Mahre Mackay, Susie McFadden, Allison Pegg, Denyse Wilkey, Cindy
Dench, Nina Stradine, Debbie Jones, Cheryl Hyde, Sandy Brewer,
Andrea Nelson, Howard Raines, Chip Salmon, Bill Mazey Jr., Linda
Vayles, Michelle Norleen.

TRAIL RIDING & HORSEMASTERSHIP RULES

Brigitte Simmross, Mahre Mackay, Susie McFadden, Shelley Stace,
Denyse Wilkey, Allison Pegg, Cheryl Hyde, Kim Smith, Cindy Dench,
Andrea Nelson, Dixie Kemper, Jini Corley, Cheryl Huggins, Valerie
Leeman, Joe Morris, Howard Raines, Albert Pritchard, Linda Voyles,
Leyla Akol, Michelle Moretti, Mary Giraud, Pam Langum, Michelle
Villalovos, Doug Davis.

TACK & EQUIPMENT

Bill Mazey Jr., Troy Messerli, Dixie Demper, Joni Corley, Valerie
Leeman, Michelle Washburn, Allison Pegg, Susie McFadden, Brigitte
Simmross, Michelle Moretti, Michelle Norleen, Leyla Akol, Doug
Davis, Debbie Jones, Cindy Dench, Cheryl Hyde.

The Horsemastership Program is a combination of the art of riding and a working knowledge of horses, their care and feeding, injuries, diseases, breeds, conformation, etc. It covers not only the ability to ride, but a fairly complete understanding of the equipment involved, and the rules concerning riding under almost all circumstances. The program costs the Juniors nothing to join and they compete for fine awards at the regional level. The Chairperson for the Region Six Horsemastership program is Bobbi Tevis, 690 Albion Dr. San Jose, Ca. 95136 Phone (408) 266-5080.

WOODSIDE PONY SHOW

By Mrs. W. A. Swinerton

Unfortunately, we were unable to start the show on time, due to our inability to connect the mike to an ordinary battery. But, once the men made the connections to my Dodge truck battery, we were on our way by about 9 A.M. The Webb Ranch had the ring worked and watered to perfection, and thanks to the Woodside Gardens Inc., we had some beautiful baskets of petunias surrounding the judge's umbrella.

The crew was a dreamy one--Pat Grady is unbeatable when he is in charge of the jumps. Gia Able, the judge, knows her ponies and children, always giving credit where credit is due. Bob O'Neill at the mike is another tried and true old hand, and Jack Parsons is also a knowledgeable fellow, tending quietly to his photography. Connie Humphries, Marilyn and John Blake, Bev Jennings and Sue Lindsay, to name a few, were invaluable at the desk.

The Western Division being light last year, we substituted a Short Stirrup Division. The judge was amazed to see fourteen ten year olds and under enter the first of four classes-- and riders they were too, not just passengers!!!!

And not the least of my thanks to the magical jump crew or volunteer men from the audience who leapt into the ring to help us dismantle the course-- even Madison Square Garden would have found it hard to keep pace with them!

Many thanks to all who helped--it made it a Fun Day--Polly

HIGH POINT SMALL PONY SHORT FLIGHT, ALI EDWARDS

HIGH POINT MEDIUM PONY MISS PATRICE, ELAINE ERVIN

HIGH POINT LARGE PONY TIE: MAYBE, CLAIRE WILBUR

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN, ALISON COOK

SMALL PONY JUMPERS 1) Choise Snowflake, Kristy Dudgeon, 2) Journey, Kathy White, 3) Short Flight

MEDIUM PONY JUMPERS 1) Mary's Bell, Molly Kretchmar, 2) Miss Patrice, 3) The Irishman, Katy Wilke

LARGE PONY JUMPERS 1) Maybe 2) English Ivy, Lisa de Caro 3) Tinker Toy, Debbie Cohen

SMALL PONY HUNTERS 1) Root Beer, Danielle Conrad 2) Short Flight
3) Choise Snowflake
MEDIUM PONY HUNTERS 1) Miss Patrice 2) Mary's Bell 3) Mary's
Fandango, Chris Carney
LARGE PONY HUNTERS 1) Maybe 2) Tinker Toy 3) English Ivy
HUNTER PAIRS 1) Maybe, Cheezit, Jennifer Atkinson 2) Root Beer,
Trophy, Heather Fogarty 3) Miss Patrice, Mary's Fandango
PLEASURE DRIVING, ADULTS 1) Shiloh Top Brass, Jay Hubert 2) Spencer's
Revel Mist, Harold Metcalf 3) Mary's Bell, Susan Stumbaugh
PLEASURE DRIVING, 16 AND UNDER 1) Light Star Lorina, Kristy Metcalf
2) Mary's Ashling, Patricia Murata 3) Mary's Bell
SHOW AND TELL 1) Shotgun, Natasha MacNaughton 2) Journey 3) Chazel,
Brenda Stephens
ADULT TO RIDE, CHILD TO DIRECT 1) Varni's Dream Boy, Patty Shaw
2) Mary's Ashling, Connie Murata 3) Mary's Bell
COSTUME CLASS 1) Mary's Ashling, Ali Murata 2) Patti & Terri
Stumbaugh 3) Cute As A Button, Ali Buttars
SMALL HUNTER HACK 1) Root Beer 2) Short Flight 3) Searle's Starbright
Jackie Hubert
MEDIUM HUNTER HACK 1) Miss Patrice 2) Shotgun 3) Mary's Bell
LARGE HUNTER HACK 1) Christopher Robin 2) Midnight Magic, Heather
Fogarty 3) English Ivy
SMALL ENGLISH PLEASURE 1) Choise Snowflake 2) Short Flight
3) Searle's Starbright
MEDIUM ENGLISH PLEASURE 1) Light Star Lorina 2) Miss Patrice
3) Short and Sassy, Kathleen Alexander
LARGE ENGLISH PLEASURE 1) Christopher Robin 2) Midnight Magic
3) Tinker Toy
MATCHED PAIRS 1) Short Flight, Harvey Wallbanger, Marcia Hosmer
2) Tinker Toy, Christopher Robin 3) Choise Snowflake, Chris Midnight
Denise Vogel
LEADLINE 1) Nicky, Carter Smith 2) Morning Star, Dorna Robinson
3) Taffy, Clayne Felix

SHORT STIRRUP DIVISION

WALK, TROT EQUITATION 1) Pollyanna, Sally Parina 2) Mary's Rhapsody, Judy Edmonds 3) Short and Sassy, Tamara Robbins
ENGLISH PLEASURE-WALK, TROT 1) Varni's Dream Boy, Shannon Braniff 2) Paunchita, Kelly Robinson 3) Pollyanna
HUNTERS, TROT 1) Pollyanna 2) Varni's Dream Boy 3) Short and Sassy
HUNT SEAT EQUITATION OVER FENCES 1) Mary's Rhapsody 2) Pollyanna 3) Varni's Dream Boy

SHACK RIDERS ENJOY CHICKEN BARBECUE

Last October 19, Shack Boss Ray Baumbach came through strong with a fall chicken Barbecue. In charge of greeting and taking money was his wife Joan. She was assisted by her long-time friend from Santa Rosa, Shirley Barcus. Shirley's husband Howard, along with Boss Ray Bambaugh, Eddie Castleman, and Bud Gasivoda were barbecuing chicken. Of course, Bud was on the Association's Board of Directors back in the sixties.

Serving chicken were Judy Putnam, Rudy Stach, Lowell Duggan and Ruth Castleman. Helping in the clean-up were Pam Ehelebe, Bobbie Haberlin and Kay Morshead. It was nice to have the Association's 1966 President Bud Aldige passing popcorn just after having recent open heart surgery. Bud was enjoying wearing his Keith Christie Buckle. Other SMCHA past presidents circulating around included Pete Towne, Dale Ryman, Phil Ray, and Harry Conley with two of his daughters, Sue and Robbin. And, of course, the 1950 President Stan Schlichting and Rusty Griner were busy behind the bar. The Association's 1964 President could only be there in spirit. Ray Barbera's name has now been added to the Shack Rider's list who have gone to their green pastures in that Great Sky Country. Tony Lopez, one of the Shack Riders Directors, referred to him as a first class guy. SMCHA Presidents mentioned here cover the period from 1944 through 1971.

Nice to see Ruth and Howard Marks visiting around. Although they have lived in Hillsborough for quite a few years, they still own their hundred acre ranch in Tracy.

Rose Sorich reported that her husband Tony wasn't present because he was deer hunting. Tony Sorich and Howard Marks served on the Association's Board of Directors as well as Dale Cauble and Clyde de Benedetti (who were also visiting around) Back in the sixties that is!

Ginny Gilmore keeps her horse at Stanford Stables and stated that she is interested mainly in Dressage. Edith Rogers, her sister, visiting from Southfield, Michigan was her guest.

Former Shack Boss Charles Griner mentioned the Shack Riders Work Party getting together with other local equestrian groups at the Sam McDonald Park (Jack Brook Memorial Horse Camp).

Jasper Peterson said he keeps riding even though he has a nine hundred acre ranch at Thermal. Howard Boone said he was finding commuting to Sacramento from Woodside getting a bit tiring.

.....Thanks to Ray Baumbach and crew for a most enjoyable occasion. Margaret Barbera

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CSHA ENDURANCE COMMITTEE GETS RULE CHANGES
AT CONVENTION IN SAN JOSE

The State Endurance Riding Award Program has had some changes in its rules for the 1981 season.

CSHA will no longer require rides to be sanctioned by the State Office. All rides that meet the requirements outlined below will automatically be considered for ride points for Hi-Point members.

Endurance Ride Requirements

1. Ride must be a minimum of 50 miles
2. Horse must be under observation of veterinarians
3. The ride must be open to all breeds
4. There shall be no minimum time
5. The ride must be headquartered in California

Due to the changes in the program the year 1981 shall be tabulated from January 1st. to October 31st. and thereafter from November 1st. to October 31st.

All Hi-Point members shall be required to pay a registration fee. The fee shall be \$7.50 for CSHA members and \$15.00 for non-members. Upon registration in the program, all members will receive from the State Office ride tally slips to be signed by the ride management of each ride completed. These slips shall be forwarded to the State Office for tabulation. This shall be the responsibility of the contestant. Total mileage shall be considered from the best 420 miles of competition ridden throughout the year. There will be no ties and the committee chairman shall award best position based on overall performance of the competitor.

Points shall be calculated as follows:

1 point per mile

½ point per mile for best condition

2 points for each position in rank from tenth to first place for
bonus top ten. i.e. 1st. place 20 points bonus, 5th. place
10 points bonus, etc.

for further information contact; Potato Richardson, P.O. Box 13, Auburn
Ca. (916) 885-2552 Endurance Trail Ride Chairman

It seems to me that every issue this year I have had to say good by to a good friend of SMCHA. This issue, unfortunately, is no exception. Raymond Barbera's list of achievements is long and far reaching. He was not only a past president of SMCHA and a valued member and worker, he was also the Past Exalted Ruler of Redwood City Elks Lodge 1991, a member of the Shack Riders, the El Camino Chanticleer, Sons in Retirement and the California State Horsemen's Association. This past week I was at the CSHA state convention in San Jose. I had people I didn't know walk up to me and say "I hear you're from SMCHA, we're really going to miss Ray, I wanted you guys to know that." "Ray was one in a million, it won't be the same without him." Gary Gustafson spoke to me several times about Ray and his help on the CSHA Charitable Trust Fund Committee. Lee Stewart, who was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Charitable Trust left by Ray's passing, said she had an awfully big pair of shoes to try and fill. We will all miss Ray and offer our sympathy to his wife, Margaret.

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