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COVER STORY



One of SMCHA biggest responsibilities is the organization of it's horse shows. Our bylaws state that there shall be a standing committee devoted to the planning of these shows and they have always been and will continue to be a large part of what SMCHA does. Pictured on the cover, is our junior winner in the Pleasure Division after a 5-horse show series held in conjunction with Webb Ranch and SMCHA. Michele Payne with her horse EBONY clearly demonstrated what it takes to be a winner! She participated in all 5 shows and is now the proud owner of a lettered sheet for her efforts. Special thanks to all who helped (see Noel Moody's article) and hope to see everyone next year!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Seems that about this time of year, the president is supposed to anticipate the expiration of his term and start winding down activities. Well, I've thought about it... and I'm not! We still have all winter left and our planning schedule is just jammed-packed with exciting events. Each function has been more successful than the last and it seems that there is no "coupe de grais". I'm looking forward to being even more active next year than I was this year. I'm extremely confident that in 1990, the San Mateo County Horseman's Association will see the greatest slate of officers and directors in it's 50 year history. I'm sure they will continue to set new records, the overwhelming enthusiasm within the SMCHA is phenomenal. I've been blessed this year with all the help I've received. Our success has been an all out team effort. I owe many many thanks to many many people. The SMCHA has received an unprecedented amount of support and participation from the other horse groups in our area. To them and their members, we are deeply grateful. To me, my most gratifying experience as president has been to be part of and witness the resurgence of unity among horsemen in San Mateo County.

Editorial

Well, if you think that all we've done is completed another show season, guess again! We've had a fantastic year so far. We've set new records or at least, seen results the like of which have not been seen for years. To thank everyone individually would take more space than we have available, unfortunately. So, what we would like to do is to give a big THANKS! to all, from planners to participants. Everyone has done an excellent job.

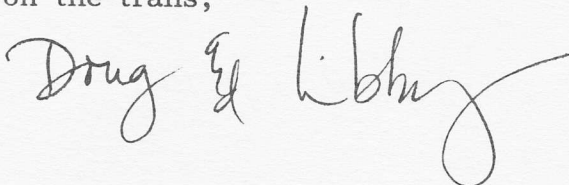
It seems our membership is on the rise, as well. Many of the summer events and particularly the clinic have resulted in many new members. We wish to extend a warm welcome to all and hope to see you at our upcoming events.

Speaking of events, if you thought it was all over... that's right, guess again! There are still plenty of events to go this year. Check the calendar and those flyers you've been receiving in your mailbox. Come on out and participate!

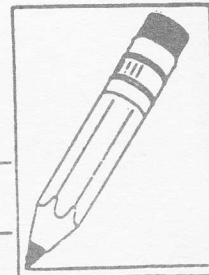
We understand the 50th Anniversary Committee is still hard at work making 1990 a "year to remember"! You'll be hearing from them through-out the coming year. If you have some great ideas for the 50th, don't keep them to yourself. Give one of us a call or drop us a line. We'll make sure the information is forwarded to them. Want to volunteer your time? It's going to take a lot of bodies to pull off some of the things they've been coming up with. Same as before, call us or write us and we'll put you in touch with the crew.

Most importantly, don't forget about that horse of yours. Yes, the days are shorter and getting a bit cooler, but your horse will appreciate every bit of attention you can spare him. And who knows what surprises await you on the trails. Keep riding!

See ya on the trails,



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Melissa:

Thanks for the "thank you note" that you sent, but the check was un-necessary. When I have the time I'm always happy to pitch in and help the Horsemen's Association. Thanks again and I'm enclosing your check.

Don Duncan

(Don and Denny Duncan of HORSE'S MOUTH" came to our rescue when the Mounted Patrol Grounds arenas needed watering down and our own SMCHA water truck was on the "blink". Thank you so much for bailing us out in time!!!)



Dear SMCHA

The flowers were just beautiful that you sent to my mother. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated by all the members of my family. Everyone remarked how nice it was of the Horsemen's Association to think of us at this time. It was very touching of you. Thank you again. Love,

Noel Moody



Dear Dick:

I want to thank you and all the members of the SMCHA for touring our facilities on Saturday, July 8th. It is a pleasure sharing our work with such an enthusiastic group. Drs. Hughes, McCue and I enjoyed the morning as much as you did.

On behalf of the Equine Research Laboratory I also want to thank you for your \$250 contribution. Those funds will help to support research into problems affecting all of our horses. We are pleased to be partners with the SMCHA in this effort.

We appreciate your interest and support.

Sincerely,

Kelly J. Nimtze
Director of Development

Dear SMCHA:

Thank you for renewing your membership with the Trail Center. Your membership dues help the Trail Center cover the costs for our many volunteer trailwork events and information projects.

Enclosed you will find a membership card. We will also continue to send you the Trail Center monthly Activity Schedule as well as fliers announcing our program and events. Again, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Madeleine



Gentlemen:

I cannot tell you how surprised and happy I was to be the recipient of your Horse Scholarship at the recent clinic you held at the Mounted Patrol facility in Woodside.


This was my first clinic and the first riding I've done in 26 years. I cannot tell you what a memorable event this was for me.

On behalf of Chipita and myself, thank you for your support of the riders in our area.

Sincerely,

Linda Crawford

(Linda Crawford is owner of Travel Expressions and Apex Travel and recently became one of our advertisers in this magazine. Thanks to you Linda for your support!



Gentlemen:

your donation to the RIDE FOR THE RIDGE Raffle is greatly appreciated and helped make this year's event a tremendous success. We had more than 80 riders this year, 60% more than last, and we look for continued growth in future years. The raffle is a valuable aid in stimulating rider interest and raising funds for the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

Again, thank you for your donation. Your continuing support will help make the dream of the Ridge Trail a reality.

Sincerely,

Jerry Cooley
Ride for the Ridge Committee

BRAG · A · NAG

Based on the true tradition of "my horse is the best because..." we are including a new column called BRAG A NAG. For \$2, you write us on a blank sheet of paper and tell us about your horse's accomplishments. All proceeds from the column go towards our 50th year anniversary celebration. Send your brags to SMCHA PO Box 620092, Woodside, CA 94062.

Sue Butler thinks her horse SONS CARABOO DOC is special because he "sings" when he is contented and relaxed. He makes a hmmm, hmmm, hmmm sound. Should have called him Pavoratti!

Noel Moody likes her colt FLASH because he is such a love and pretty and unflappable and yet he is dead serious when working a cow.

Katie Kane is proud of CHOLIE because he is still being ridden at he age of 40!

Linda Van Loan likes the way her Nu Bar mare LADY, nickers at everyone who walks by her stall.

JIM BAR LAD is truly "Gentleman Jim" all the time and that pleases his owners the Moodys and Ross Meredith.

Lee Reed is proud of DOOLITTLE for winning the blue in the advanced class at the SMCHA Clinic Show

Lee Reed loves JACKSON for his twenty years riding the trails and for his honesty with all riders.

Tex Rowan likes the big butt on his horse, TEXAS CHEX. Looks like a quarter horse should look!

Chris Olmo wouldn't trade his fast walking gelding ANDY for Secretariat.

The rider on TUFF LOVELY MARIE is a good rider. (Patrick Griffin).

Libby Armanino says FOGHEAD is the best because he's taught 5 beginner riders to learn to ride and has enjoyed every minute of it!

The Armanino's think that all the horses at their barn are the best because it's such a good group and everyone has a great time together: PONCHO (Stu Olson), WILLY (John Cardinale), SMOKEY and the BABY (Denise Eubanks), COLORADO (Debbie Casinelli), SIERRA (Cindy Carlson), AMIGO and NICK (Kit Tobin) and of course the team #5, DOC and FOGHEAD (Libby and Rod Armanino).

Doris Lantz says NIDA is the best 'cuz she's #1!

Rick Payne says MIA'S the best at trimming branches on a pre-ride!

Nancy Crowley says BUDDY is tops but obviously knows she's not pregnant any more!

Mary Hydorn is proud of BRANDY for winning her top honors at the Mounted Patrol PlayDay!

Denise Eubanks says GABE can do tricks as well as everything else she wants him to do. He still won't clean his own stall, though!

DOC, owned by Rod Armanino just got back from serious training with Lee Racicot over at the Cross Ranch and shouldn't be pulling any more tempertantrums!

Michelle Payne thanks EBONY for helping her win the junior pleasure division in the SMCHA-WEBB RANCH Show Series.

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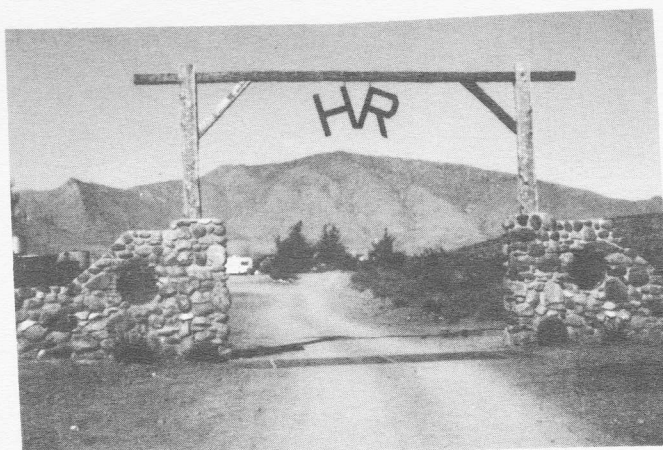
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ODE TO A LABOR DAY WEEKEND
by Sharon Zall

There once was a weekend named "labor."
With us workers, it's found much favor.
 So with biscuits and pork,
 We drove off to Clark Fork,
 Hauling behind our horse trailer.

The weekend was real good for me.
I arrived at the stroke of three
 O'Clock in the morning
 Without any warning,
 And, boy, did I have to pee!

The horses were tucked in for the night
 On a tie-line somewhere in sight
 Of T & D's tent,
 And then off we all went
To sleep till the shun shone in bright.

The grounds 'round the camp were unfit
 To walk through, look at, or sit.
 But with Byron and Tommy
 And Somebody's Mommy,
We hauled out two tons of horseshit.

By the time nightfall came around,
 We had a pretty full campground
 From Aromas and Woodside,
 And that Half Moon Bay side,
The best folks that could ever be found!

The adventures that happened in four days
 Will surprise you, astound, and amaze.
 I'll try to retell
 Their "Trail Ride from Hell,"
But you really should ask Helen and James.

They stayed in their tent far too long
 To ride out with the rest of the throng.
 But after "vo-de-oh-doe"
 They decided to go,
And so rode off, singing their song.

They wanted to ride a nice trail
That wouldn't bounce them too much on their tail.
 But their short little lark
 Kept them out WAY past dark,
And turned into their "Trail Ride from Hell."

The next day they rode in just fine.
 Put their horses back on the line.
 With a story to tell
 Of their night on the trail,
And appetites -- Man, did they dine!

Miss Romero's is plain old real simple.
(You know -- she's the one with the dimple.)
 She lost salt, watch, and book
 Which were all found with a look,
But her contact lens wasn't so simple.

It's a good thing she knows how to dance.
 She and Tommy, with airy a glance
 For mud, rock, or wire
 Danced 'round the campfire
 After she'd dried out her pants.

Her pants were all muddy, you see,
 From ankle WELL past bended knee.
 It was dark and at night,
 And, though she held the light,
She slid down the embankment. Ah, gee!

The trick horse prize goes to Doris,
 Whose pony did something neat for us.
 When she scratched on her tum
 The horse stuck out her tongue,
And extended her hind leg in chorus!

The worst part of the trip was the bees.
 They came from the ground and the trees.
 If you had any food out,
 Man, you'd better hide out,
Or they'd sting from your head to your knees!

K. Hunt wins the medal of valor
For bravery and courage. What a gal'r!
 She fought with the bees,
 Got a hole in her knees,
And came home, sitting tall in the saddler!

She rescued her horse from a swarm
 That was trying to do them both harm.
 But without fear nor dread
 She walked in instead
And brought Passion home, safe and warm.

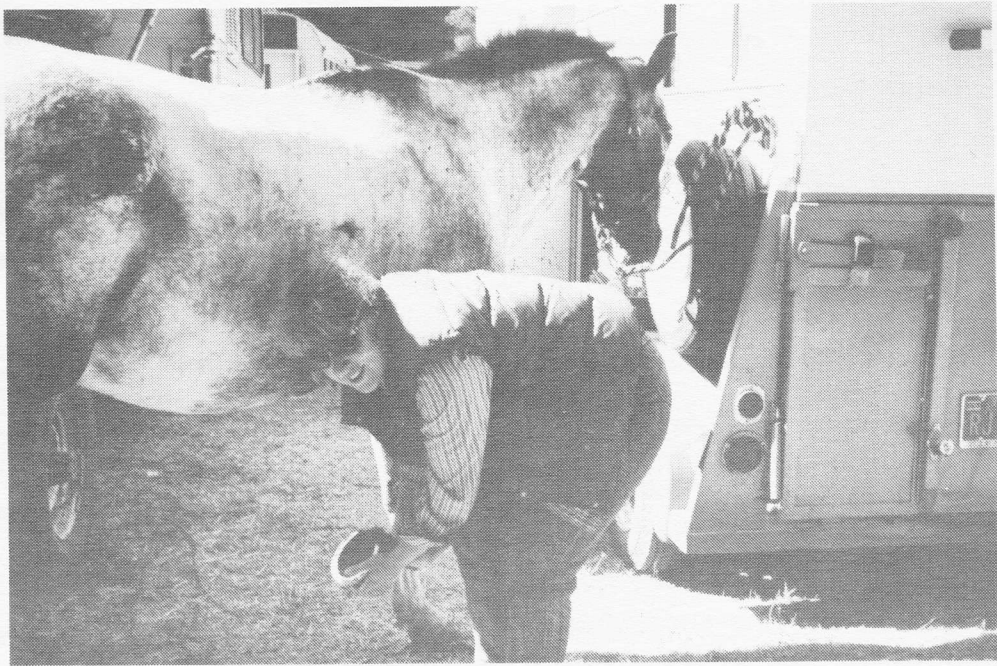
Kathy's knee was yet another story.
 Passion banged it, and did it look gory.
 But Kathy has pride,
 (She got a wheelbarrow ride!)
But Byron dumped her -- right on her glory!

The trail rides were some of the best,
 As I'm sure all of you will attest.
 Between rock and rill,
 Meadow and hill,
We rode in, all needing a rest.

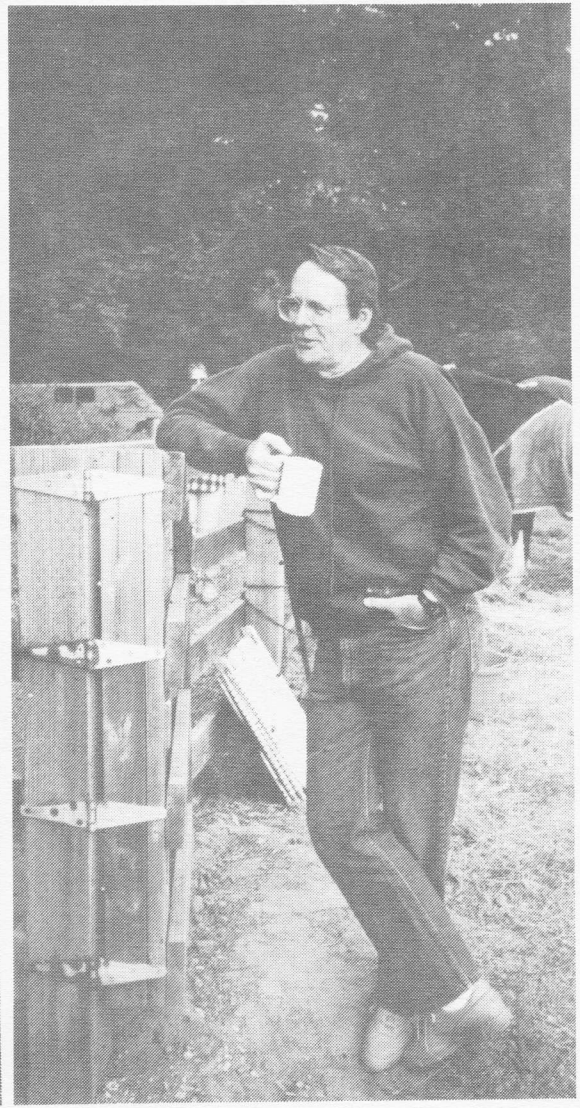
Not all of our group could attend
The weekend some thought wouldn't end.
 But of all whom were there
 We thought the trip fair,
But postcards? Pathfinders don't send!

The day came when we had to go.
So with lots of pep and grease of elbow,
 We broke down each tent,
 Got up and went,
And drove off, going real slow.

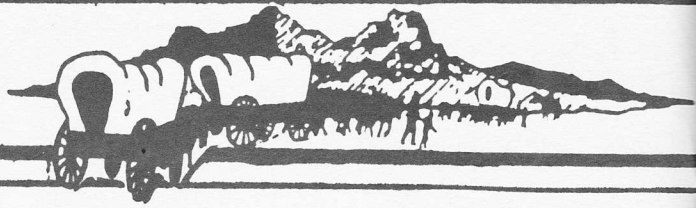
The weekend we all spent together.
 Good friends, in all kinds of weather.
 Between boulders and bees
 And gashes in knees,
We came home, feeling light as a feather!



Jack
Brook
overnight
ride



TRAIL TIPS



Lew Reed

Reports are that the trails are in pretty good shape within the towns and parks. The vegetation has been cut back, the trail treads are solid, and the bridges are strong and will support an animal.

We are still getting reports of trail user conflicts. Reports should be made of any incident to Ron Harris at 365-0704 as he is compiling a list for possible presentation to the Parks and Recreation Department and Board of Supervisors. It is recognized that the Park Department is receiving limited funding from the county budget reducing their ability to employ a large number of rangers for policing the trails. The Park Department is very highly complimentary of the Volunteer Horse Patrol (lovingly called the County Mounties) as they are extremely visible on the trails and are approaching violators with brochures and information on trail use. The word is getting out that trail etiquette is necessary between the trail users for compatible use of the trails. Also they are informing bicyclists that they are not allowed in county parks except on designated trails and paved roads within the park. It is sincerely hoped that continued educations of trail users will be effective. Please recognize that the Volunteer Horse Patrol are eyes and ears and informers only. They are not enforcement officers. San Mateo County Horsemen's Association is extremely proud of the work that they are doing. Most of the volunteers are members of the SMCHA.

The San Mateo County Trails Advisory Committee was re-appointed by the Parks and Recreation Commission to continue their splendid work. They have been meeting monthly for the past two years and are an extremely active and informed group of volunteers who can do much to promote and implement a wonderful trail system throughout the entire county. Their first meeting under their re-appointment is Tuesday, October 24th at which time their agenda will include a discussion of the county trail plan and a review of their charge and the future work of the committee. Several members of SMCHA are members of this committee.

For the past 5 years, the Midpeninsula Trails Council renamed the West Bay Trails Council has been meeting regularly to promote trails in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties with some emphasis on Midpeninsula Open Space District. The feeling presently is the Open Space District is highly cognizant of the need and usage of trails in their various preserves and that their use and management plans for each preserve includes adequate trail planning. The Trails Council feels that they have accomplished one of their main goals in this regard. Attendance and membership has dropped off during the past year so the Trails Council is being discontinued and is being incorporated as a Trail Advocacy Committee of the Trail Center. Assets of the Trails Council are being turned over to the Trail Center to be used to support the cost of a trails news report in the regular bulletins and reports of the Trail Center. The Trail Center is doing a wonderful job and transferring the energies of the Trails Council to the Trail Center should make that organization more effective. I urge SMCHA to strongly support to Trail Center and urge each individual member of SMCHA to become a dues paying member of the Trail Center. Dues are \$20 per year and the money is well spent for their mailings which are constantly getting more expensive.


Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District in their fall Open Space newsletter reports that their "showcase" Skyline Ridge Preserve is becoming a reality. New access, tunnel under Alpine Road to connect to Russian Ridge Preserve and its trails,

more trails, etc. They report that Purisima Creek Redwoods Open Space Preserve (across Skyline from Huddart Park) is now ready for visitors with trails and parking and whole access trails. MPROSD has not yet finalized their Trail Use Policies and Guideline. Copies of the report under consideration and notice of the dates of future public hearing can be had by phoning 949-5500. It is suggested that each horseman obtain a copy of the reports and for individuals to write a letter to MPROSD concerning their reactions. The letters will carry a lot of weight in guiding their final decision.

The State of California Recreational Trails Committee meets quarterly. Minutes of their August 11th meeting indicate that they discussed among other agenda items state park system projects, Santa Cruz staging area to Henry Cowell Park, coast bike route, Bay Area Ridge Trail, adopt a beach plan and a prolonged discussion of the mountain bike policy. A listing of the visitors attending shows that the various bike committees and organizations are extremely active in attending their meetings on a regular basis. The agenda for their October meeting includes again the mountain bike policy update. Horsemen should be more active in attending their meetings.

The Bay Area Ridge Trail continues to open and dedicate portions of the 400 mile system. The latest is the ceremonies held on October 14th on Sweeney Ridge at the Bay Discovery Site. Attendees included horsemen, bikers, hikers, Golden Gate Recreational Area personnel and officials and city and county officials. 2.2 miles on Sweeney Ridge and .8 miles of Milagra Ridge were dedicated. This may seem like a very small section but it is a slow process to get the various jurisdictions to take over the responsibility for this magnificent trail through their particular area. This section will be supervised and maintained by GGNRA. The San Mateo County Bay Area Ridge Trail Committee continues to meet monthly to study and implement the portion of this trail through San Mateo County. They are doing a good job.

As I re-read this report I am highly impressed by the strength and devotion and numbers of volunteers working so mightily to constantly improve recreational trails and their enjoyment by various users. SMCHA recognized the contributions made by so many volunteers.




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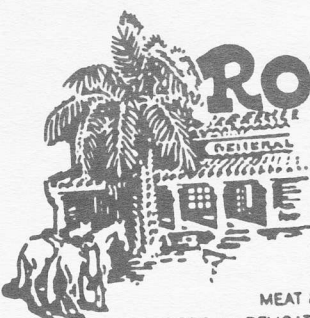
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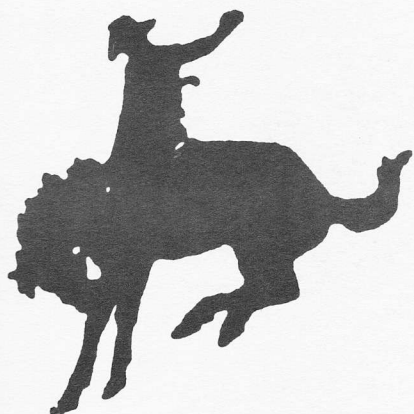


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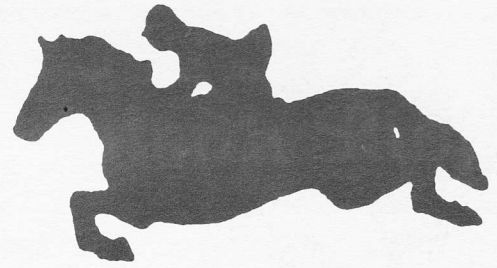
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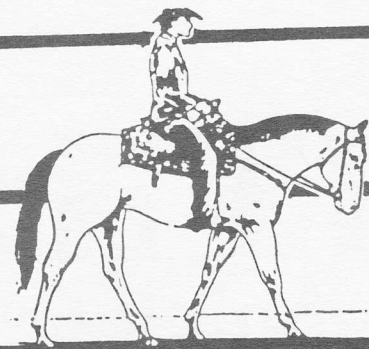
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As a native Californian, CHERYL CHANDLER has enjoyed living in the Bay Area for over 10 years. She started riding and equestrian activities at the early age of two when her mother put her on the back of a pony at the "Ranch" in Idaho that her grandparents own. It was, and still is, a working dude and cattle ranch with 1500 acres. Cheryl and her brothers spent their summers there helping work the cattle.

During her college days, Cheryl always had a saddle horse. To help support those expenses, she worked at the local race tracks walking hot horses before going to school. After receiving a BA degree in Physical Ed, Cheryl taught high school PE, specializing as swimming coach. After two years, her love of horses drew her back to the race track in the early 70's. While at the race tracks of Southern California (Hollywood Park, Santa Anita and Del Mar), she worked as a hot walker, groom, assistant trainer, pony girl, and trainer. At the same time she worked thoroughbred auctions in California, Washington, Arizona, and Kentucky.

After moving to the Bay Area, Cheryl married an equine veterinarian, and for several years assisted him in his practice, which also gave her valuable experience with all types and breeds of horses.

Cheryl is currently a member of the San Mateo County Volunteer Horse Patrol, San Mateo

County Horseman's Association, and Los Viajeros riding club. In addition to exercising horses, she owns and operates "Custom Covers by C.C."

Specialties are blankets, shipping boots, fly bonnets, saddle bags, and just about anything that the equestrian may need.

Cheryl's four-legged sidekick and former pony horse is Snowball. He is 21 now and has been with her for 19 years. They can be seen on the trails quite often, so if you see a white horse with grey tick markings and a long white tail, say "Hi!" Happy Trails

PAT HOLMES started her horse career a little over thirty years ago (at a very young age). The first years were filled with trail rides, gymkhanas and 4-H club. High school brought work at Hunter stables and a saddle horse (American Saddlebred) barn. These experiences provided the necessary skills for a lifetime of horse-related work.

Pat showed Hackney ponies for Unicorn Farm in Salem, Oregon during college and rode hunters for Col. Alex Sysin of Stanford Stables. She later showed Hackneys and Saddlebreds for various owners and taught hunt seat and saddleseat equitation to dozens of young students. In 1972 Mrs. Swinerton of Woodside and Marysville entrusted the training and sales of her Welsh pony farm to Pat. Many successes followed, among them numerous National Champions and sales all over the United States.

The last few years have seen Pat less at shows as an exhibitor and more as a judge, traveling throughout the country to adjudicate at various events. Training is still an everyday vocation as well as running the boarding stables at Wunderlich Park. Pat now owns Welsh Cobs (imported from Wales) and pursues driving and riding activities with them.

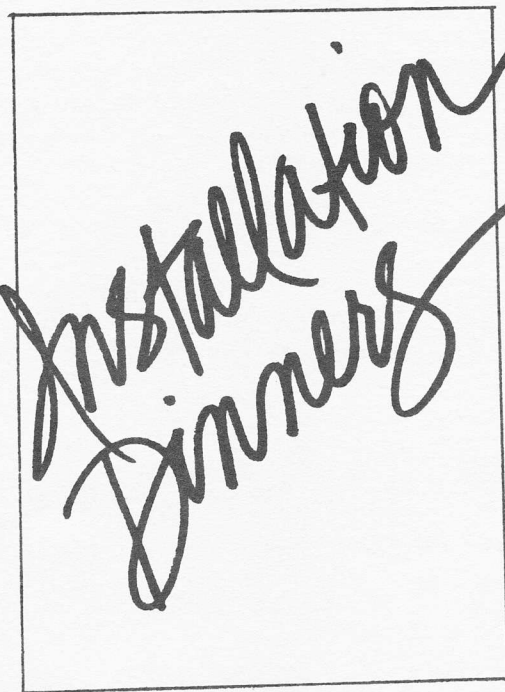
Having successfully shown many breeds in many disciplines (hunters, dressage, saddle horses, driving, ponies, etc.), Pat's experience is vast and varied. When all is said and done, her favorite horse activity has always been trail riding on a sensible horse.

Congratulations

Mary Jo Harris

On August 19th, the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County held it's second annual playday at their grounds in Woodside. The action-packed day consisted of keyhole races, team penning, handkerchief races, pole bending and a reining pattern. At days end, when all the points were added up, Mary Hydorn (long-time SMCHA board member) walked away with top honors in the women's division. Mounted on her trusty steed, BRANDY, she and partners Mary Lee Twisselman and Rose Corso won first place in the team penning. Mary and her partner Kim Counts took first in the handkerchief race. Mary and BRANDY topped it all off by placing in the reining pattern.

At the dinner following the games, Mounted Patrol members Rick Corso and Joe Putnam presented Mary with her awards. She floated home with an all-leather breast collar, monogrammed saddle blanket and the coveted all around champion silver buckle. It's a beauty. Congratulations Mary!



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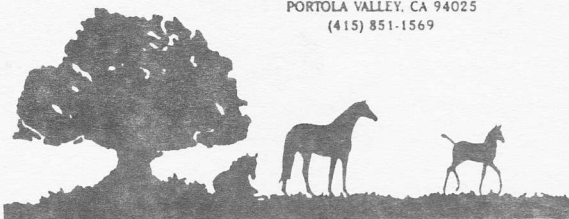
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HORSEMEN ON ROAD TO UC DAVIS

Richard Convery

On July 8th, the horsemen 86 strong boarded two buses and headed forth to UC Davis in search of equine knowledge. The ride up was quite congenial with donuts and coffee for all. Our bus had that handsome and debonair Doug Moody walking the aisle of the bus handing out the donuts and coffee with a smile. The other bus, heaven only knows what they were handing out!

We were greeted at UC Davis by Mr. Kelly Nimitz, Director of Development and Dr. John Hughes and Dr. Pat who proceeded to lead us on a great tour of their facilities. The program by their staff was well planned and we saw a great deal of their clinic facilities and emergency rooms. This gave us a good insight as to the medical facilities available to us, if for some unfortunate reason we had to bring our horse there. The facilities at Davis are one of the largest in the world, including their equine research facility, which covers quite a few acres.

The tour ended at a great picnic sight, where we all had lunch under the shade of oak trees from all over the world. A check for \$250.00 was presented by our president, Rick Payne to Mr. Kelly and Dr. Hughes for equine research from the SMCHA.

We all boarded our buses and took several trips around the campus trying to get out. It seems we needed the Volunteer Horse Patrol or the Mounted Patrol for some directions. But we made it and set forth on our journey to the R.H. Phillips Winery to taste some wine.

Two states later a lot of dirt roads, we came upon the winery in the middle of no-where! In the meantime, the second bus being different from the first bus (of which I was riding...) had been having a wine, beer, brandy tasting party of their own. I understand that what was going on in their bus was not fit to print. But, if you're curious, ask Doris Lantz, Bruce Baker, Cheryl Chandler or Kim Bentley.

The winery tour was fun, with a lot of purchases made by our group which helped to pay for all the glassware from the winery, which somehow turned up on the buses!

All in all, it was a real fun day, with a lot of new knowledge of UC Davis and their horse programs. Some of us also learned not to sit in the back of the bus by the restroom on future trips. Thanks for going, we'll have to plan another one! Special thanks to Polly Swinerton for her help in suggesting the possibility of the program in the first place.

OFF TO THE RACES WE WENT!

Richard Convery

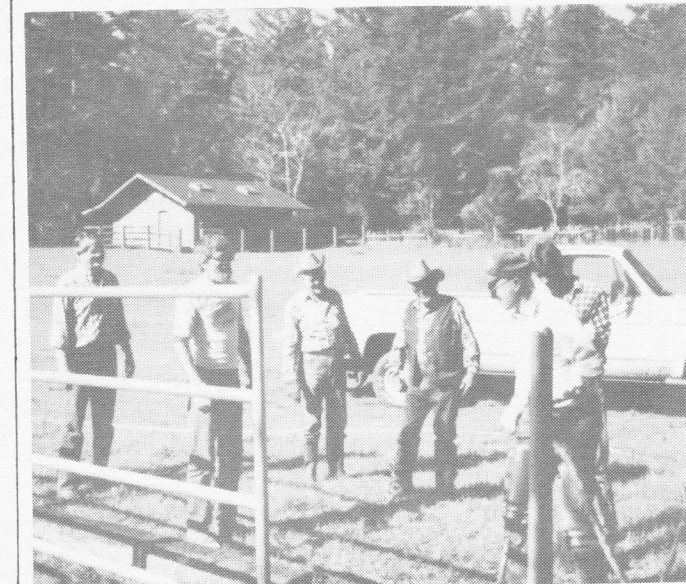
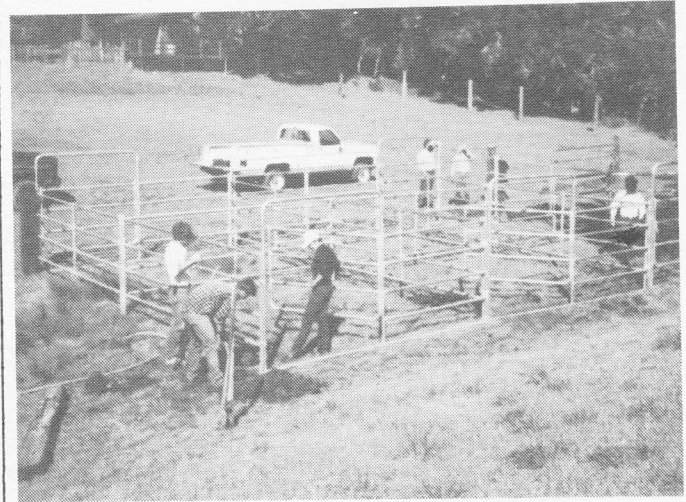
San Mateo County Horsemen had their night at the races on September 15th this year. We had one of our largest turn-outs with 91 horsemen in attendance. The accommodations this year were fantastic. The Turf Club has been remodeled into quite a lavish facility from which to watch a horse race.

The buffet dinner was quite good and some members even won a little money. It seems Bill Hopper had a handful of tips from a co-worker which paid off in a wallet full of money. Guess whom I'm sitting with next year? Eileen Borzone was walking around with a big smile all night... She thought if she bet \$10 and won \$7 she was a winner. Poor thing...

Rick Payne had his picture taken in the winner's circle after the race named in our honor. He looked pretty handsome in his suede outfit. Everyone left the track laughing, so they either had a good time or they were having a break-down from betting on the wrong horse, you know, the one with the cute name!



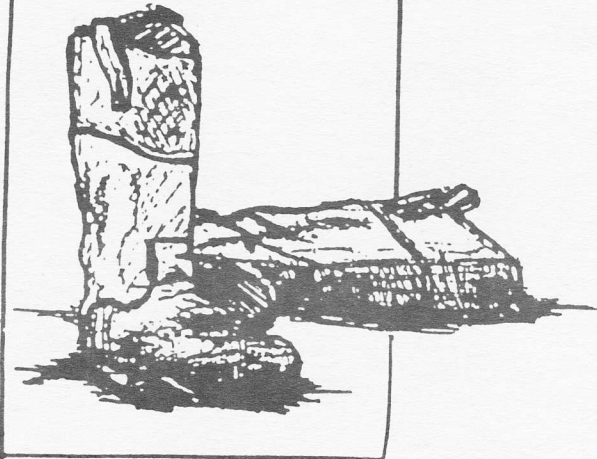
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Clementine Carroll



Highlights of the 35th Tevis Cup 100 Mile Ride: The winning time was 16 hours, 3 minutes and won by Lari Shea of Fort Bragg on Sur Sherif. Out of 188 starting, 118 finished. Old Timers: Hal Hall, winning his 15th buckle in 17 starts, Julie Šuhr of Santa Cruz, a 65 year old grandmother, veteran of 25 Tevis Cup rides, won her 19th buckle, and is already planning to ride for her 20th next year. She came in 15th place, despite riding nearly the whole way on a badly sprained ankle, which forced her to slow down considerable. Rider came from Tasmania, Australia and France to compete. The Haggin Cup award given to the best conditioned horse to finish was not awarded this year. Dr. Hank Cook, DVM is still there after 25+ years, his 65 year old hands gliding over each horse by rote. He times the horses' pulse and listens to gut sounds with his stethoscope. Quoting the Dr., "There are certain criteria the horses have to

meet before the can go on, their capillary capacity, the color of their mucous, pulse and respiration." We then have them trot out to make sure they are sound to go on. Local winners of this year's Tevis were Dick Mesak's son Richard and Kathy Martis.

Congratulations to Mary Hydorn for winning the highest number of points during the Mounted Patrol Playday and was presented with a beautiful silver buckle. Dick and Melissa Convery, Marv and Mary Lee Twisselman, and Sue Machado all won awards. Doug Moody was Judge of the Day and was given a lovely headstall.

The Country Almanac ran the best picture of Stephanie Anise and Cheryl Chandler on their horses, doing their thing as horse patrol members. The accompanying article mentioned this was Stephanie's idea to have a local group patrol Huddart Park and Wunderlich, her commuting to the Marin Headlands motivated her to work out something closer to home.

In spite of the rain, Katie Kane managed a successful show at the Menlo Circus Club which benefitted the Stanford Children's Hospital. Walter Kirk was there with his horse GUY at 6:00am. Other workers were Harry Wellman, Carleen and Stu Whittelsey and Noel Moody. Katie said it was the largest show in the last ten years.

Cheering on the Giants at the playoffs in Candlestick Park were Rod Armanino and Bruce Baker as well as Lisa Dixon and friends, all on Saturday. Lisa and her horse placed 4th at the Watsonville Quarter Horse show in the Hunt Seat Novice Championship.

Ross Meredith's surprise birthday party was indeed that! When he walked into the RC Elks Club and viewed some 105 people grinning at him, I think he almost dropped his pipe. The friends of Ross who organized this party were John Ducato (wearing spurs that jingled and jangled...), Bud and Barbara Barnes, Doug and Noel Moody, Cheryle Wayne, Dr. Ben Hevert, Larry Drapper, Chris Olmo, Kyle Kipnis, Linda and Joe Van Loan, Sue Butler and Andy Stagneros. Many stories were told by old time friends, most of them containing Ross' favorite expression - NOPE! Jeri Pabst came from Clements to wish him well. Many old friends were there, one of them, Dr. Wm Mattram, a race track veterinarian, their friendship going back to 1935. Dr. Kipnis and wife Ruth attended. Chuck Ralston designed a wall hanging in the shape of a cowboy boot, cut from a heavy piece of leather and all of us at the party signed it. The centerpieces for each

table were designed by Linda and Sue, very clever and obviously time consuming - on a wooden platform, a miniature corral, a different breed of horse in each one, a ale of hay, a cowboy, and a flower vase with fresh flowers. The pieces were auctioned off and Doug did a great job plus being Master of Ceremonies. Sal Sage played old time Western music which provided a nice background to the festivities.

In September, I flew up to Nevada City for a visit with Jean Brook (formerly Mrs. Jack Brook) who is happily married to Dick Dunning. One of the many things she had planned was a tour of the Empire Mine out of Grass Valley, now a State Historic Park. I saw pictures of mules being lowered into the mine shafts (wrapped in canvas, legs tie, blindfolded) and kept below in staging areas their whole life, were well taken care of, being Vet'd out, well fed, groomed, etc. Some of the wealth of WM Bourn, who built Filoli, came from the Empire Mine which operated for almost 100 years. The gold leaf decor in the ballroom of the Filoli estate came from the mine.

Dale and Bev Ryman are off to the Blue Ridge Mountains of Tennessee and North Carolina to observe the fall colors. Then they head to Philadelphia and Washington, DC. Should be a wonderful trip.

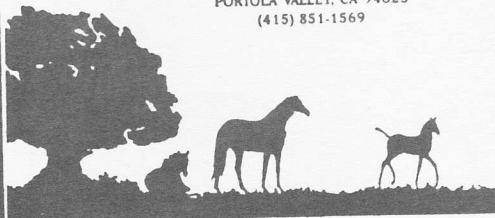
Dr. Mark and Renata Campbell are one of the sponsors of the Woodside California Carousel Vaulters. Vaulting is the art of gymnastics on a moving horse and is performed as a competitive sport at both trot and canter. California Carousel is a local 4-H club which started in 1985. The vaulting program stresses safety and excellent physical conditioning. The emphasis of the club is to have "fun" and to learn about the care and health of their very special vaulting horse, learn stable management, learn about cleaning tack and hauling manure. The club has four horses, three are Percheron cross mares and one is an Appaloosa gelding. These horses require special training and endurance and a very special attitude and temperament. This group has won top honors in National competition and their goal is to compete internationally. A team of eight members and an alternate will be selected this fall to work together over the next year to try out for the USA team chosen to represent us at the 1990 World Championships in Stockholm. Coach Susie Barnes is a gold level medalist and has been involved with coaching and teaching vaulting across the country for over ten years. Nina Wiger is assistant coach and is the horse trainer and longer for the club. She was awarded "Longer of the Year" at the national competition last July. SMCHA will have an exhibition at the 50th Anniversary celebration of our club. I saw and it was hard to believe -- the Campbell's three year old daughter, Kristina, longeing one of those enormous gentle horse, in the center of their ring, one hand on the line and the other holding a longe whip!

The President's Ride was a success as usual. A short one with 56 rider, but great food by Jill Silva and held at Libby and Rod's home next to Huddart Park. It was announced that Libby is expecting a little one sometime in April. Congratulations!

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Noel Moody

Thirteen proved to be good luck for SMCHA as 131 riders converged on the Mounted Patrol Grounds for the 39th Annual SMCHA Open Western Horse Show on August 13th. Nor-Cal and Cal-Grand approved, Kathy Hansen and Jim Oller judged what proved to be the largest SMCHA show to be held in the past few years. It was almost jinxed when the trail judge was detained by car failure on the freeway and arrived one and a half hour late! Peter Larsen and Nan Kreeger filled in and the show went on!

The two reining classes were especially popular as the horses spun and slid to the applause of all. The trail classes were full and the horses were a pleasure to watch as they navigated the obstacles. Our own Cheryl Kruezer and Kathy Cromwell made us proud. Two of our juniors, Christy Bryant and Michelle Payne were showing very successfully winning ribbons in showmanship and pleasure. Five year old Matt Serini was a favorite as he won ribbons in the walk-trot classes on his pony NOT FOR SALE against larger horses.

The Pleasure Stake was very large and all age groups from 11 and under to 31 and over were full.

In conjunction with the show, the 50th Anniversary Committee put on a Pancake Breakfast which was a sell-out. Not a crumb of bacon, eggs or pancake batter was left. Melissa and Dick Convery deserve a trophy for all the work they did organizing it. Libby Armanino and her crew manned the cook shack for lunch and the remainder of the show. Meanwhile, Doris Lantz was busy selling SMCHA jackets, hats, visors, pins and magnets for the 50th. On top of this our wonderful sponsors came through with their donations which paid for the show expenses. (We thank them again!) It was truly a blue ribbon day!

Special thanks to the horse show crew!

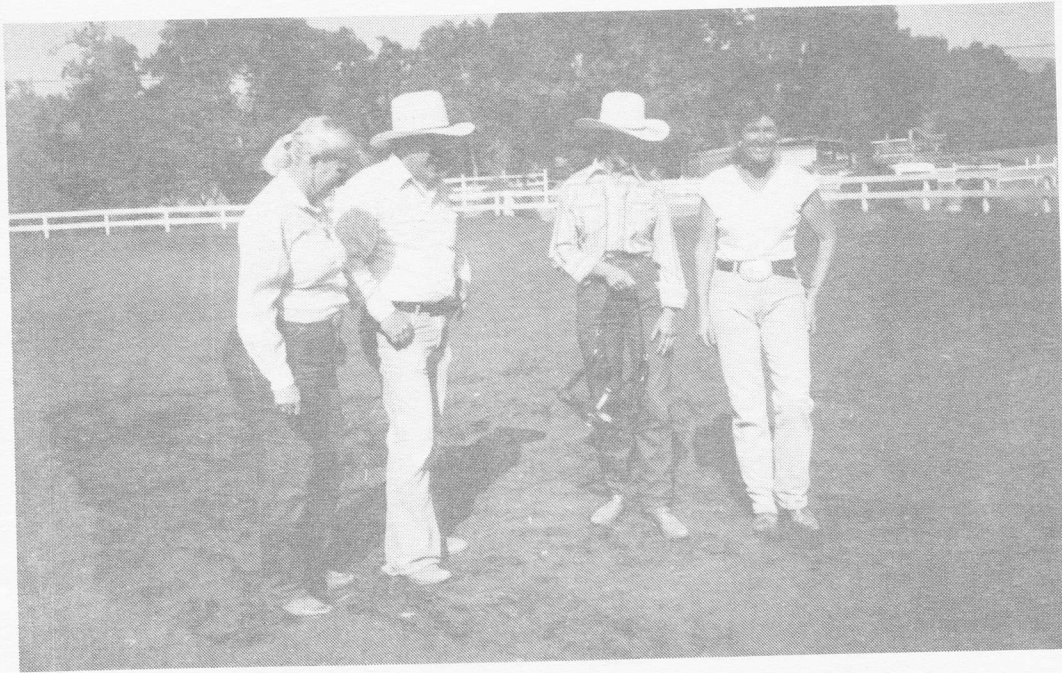
SMCHA is a good club to belong to because it has such nice members who like to get involved. Kisses to all of them for all the hours that they have volunteered!

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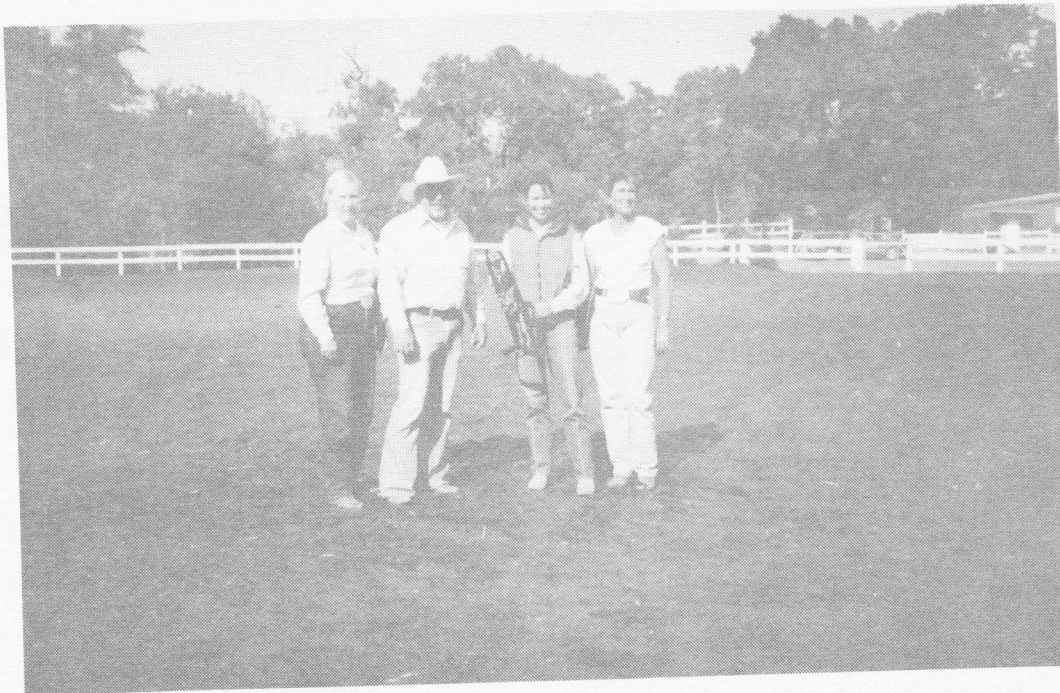
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and the **NOMINEES ARE...**

On November 17, 1989 SMCHA will hold it's election of new board members. According to SMCHA bylaws, the nomination of board members shall be made by a committee of five members appointed by the President one month prior to this annual meeting. At that time, the nomination committee will present the list of nominees that they have selected. The election of the new board members will then take place after the nominations have been closed. All board members are elected for a three year term and therefore undertake a large responsibility to insure the success of the club in future years.

Below is a list of board members that are currently on the Board of Directors and who wish to remain:

Eileen Borzone	Bruce Baker	Roni Turnbow
Dick Convery	Paul Bjoring	John Cardinale
Melissa Convery	Amos Dana	Nancy Crowley
Bob Hydorn	Patti Dana	Christine Eppstein
Mary Hydorn	Ron Harris	Cheryl Fike
Rick Payne	Walter Kirk	Bill Hopper
Lew Reed	Doris Lantz	Karen Rowley
Nancy Van Zwol	Noel Moody	Jill Silva
Harry Wellman	Doug Reed	Marv Twisselman
Libby Armanino	Bill Turnbow	

All of the above names you should recognize since they have devoted a tremendous amount of time over the last years to organize, plan and staff all of our events.

The nomination committee has taken numerous things into consideration when recommending the following candidates. Could they attend all the board meetings?, What are their interests and how could the club benefit? Have they been active in helping with activities and would they continue to do so? They are recommending:

DON PALUS: Don boards his horse over at Webb Ranch and has been extremely active in helping with our English Shows and 50th Anniversary Committee meetings. He's been a regular at all of our events and rumor has it, he's semi-retired with loads of free time on his hands to spend with his horse and horse-related activities!

GAY-LYNN MANN: Welcome back Gay-Lynn! Those of you that remember Gay-Lynn know her as a hard working and enthusiastic member of SMCHA and is looking forward to coming back on the board. With an increase in interest from our juniours, she's bound to put them back on track!

LISA DIXON: Yea, Lisa! As they say in the movie industry, it's what's behind the scenes that make it work. Lisa has working hard with Noel Moody the last few years to make our horse show series the wonderful success that it has been. With Noel Moody wanting to "switch" from horse shows to the 50th Anniversary, Lisa is just the one to take her place!

BARBARA GEORGE: Barbara is a new-comer who just "happened" to attend the SMCHA installation dinner this year and got "hooked"! She's been helping plan the 50th year Anniversary with Noel Moody and Dick Convery and has some mighty big responsibilities for next year. She's personable and professional and a wonderful "fund-raiser", I hear!

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