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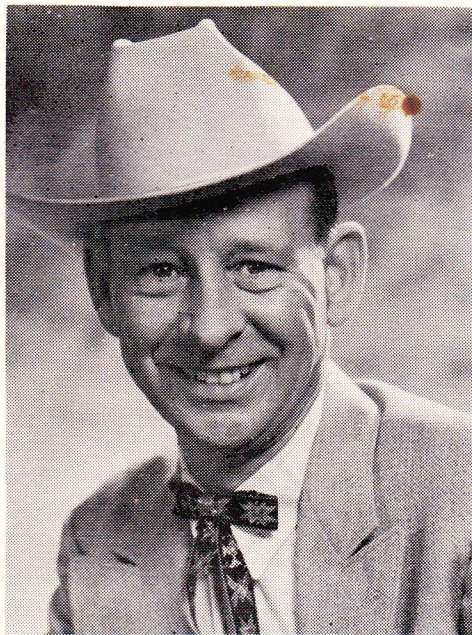
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## In Memoriam

MARCH  
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JULY  
17th, 1963



WARREN WILLIAM JONES

I shall pass through this world but once. If, therefore, there be  
any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do, let  
me do it now; let me not defer it or neglect it, for  
I shall not pass this way again.



# PK's Perspicaciousness

By P. K. (PITT) WINCHELL

The July issue, in substance, was assigned to the junior organization to prepare under our guidance, and it was with a great deal of misgiving and lack of anticipation that I agreed to be the guiding hand. Being a LITTLE past the age termed as "junior," I foresaw lack of enthusiasm and responsibility and was prepared to make the best of it.

Pitt Winchell now reverses his opinions and is proud to say that working with Miss Kathy Schiffers has been a delightful and pleasant experience. Kathy, daughter of Joe and Helen Schiffers, was chosen to be Junior Editor for the month and the manner in which she accepted her job of obtaining and preparing material, revealed a definite interest and enthusiasm in presenting the members and readers with a magazine that I term as "first rate," and speaks well of our youth, the "citizens of tomorrow."

This young lady, just 18 years old, is a petite blonde who bubbles with personality. She recently graduated from Woodside High School and plans to attend the University of Oregon this fall. Her quickness and intelligence dispersed my apprehensions and I feel that the work put into the junior organization, which is part and parcel of our own organization, has not been in vain—in fact I am of the opinion that these young people have untapped talents that we are unaware of.

I am sure that you all join me in congratulating Kathy and her staff for a job well done, and wish them success and happiness in the future.

Our own versatile Gene Elkus, Jr., Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Cow Palace, has been appointed Chairman of the Horse Show Committee for the 1963 Grand National Horse Show, Rodeo and Livestock Exposition. These wonderful series of events will begin October 25th and end November 3rd, and could not help but be exceptional with a man of Gene's caliber holding the reins. Knowing his love for horses and people, and his capabilities, the cohesion effected by him and his committee should result in the finest of entertainment for all.

I want to call your attention to the fact that CSHA NIGHT will be the

opening night, Friday, October 25th. George Cardinet, Jr., former President of the CSHA and Chairman of the CSHA Cow Palace Committee, is doing his usual outstanding job, and is in close association with the directors and management in arranging for a most spectacular CSHA NIGHT.

The color and pageantry of this night, when groups from the entire state are represented in the Grand Entry, is exciting and something well worth witnessing. Each horse and rider is conscious of the part he is taking and from the arena emanates an aura of pride and showmanship as each rider sits taller in the saddle, and each horse steps high and bridles with self-importance. There is an electric tension in the air as the Grand Entry begins, followed by expressions of admiration, and climaxed by thundering applause.

If you are truly a horseman, or spectator that enjoys but does not participate, you will consider this night a "must" and encircle the date in red on your calendar. Remember the dates—October 25th through November 3rd—and attend at least the opening night, and as many other nights as possible.

This year's feature attraction is that perennially young star of radio and TV, Art Linkletter. Mr. Linkletter's charm and apparent zest of life will be as entrancing to the Cow Palace audience as it is to the audience of his daily TV show. I for one am looking forward to seeing this gentleman whose many talents I have enjoyed from afar, and am anticipating making my usual statement, "It was the best Grand National I ever attended."

Another event worthy of your attendance, and which is tendered for a good

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## LOS ALTOS HUNT

By MRS. ROBERT FISHER

The annual Los Altos Hunt Hunter Trials will be held Sunday, August 4, at the Play Pen in Woodside, according to the Master of Fox Hounds, Dr. Tom D. Harris of Woodside.

Mrs. Frederick Bold of Lafayette is horse show chairman. The show will be open only to Hunt members and their guests, although spectators will be welcome.

Mrs. Richard Hudnut of Walnut Creek will judge the Under Saddle classes and H. T. Schaps of Auburn, the Cross Country and Ring Hunter classes.

Richard Decker of Los Altos, President and Fieldmaster of the Los Altos Hunt, states that the Hunter Trials will bring to a close the organization's summer program, which was initiated this year and consists of monthly gymkhanas for members and guests followed by buffet supper. ‡

cause, is the Stanford Convalescent Home Horse Show Tally Ho on August 17th. An "Old English" theme is being used this year and besides contributing towards helping those less fortunate than yourself, you will enjoy a Class A horse show that is peerlessly presented by hard-working and unselfish individuals.

Won't you all mark your calendars for AUGUST 17th and OCTOBER 25th through NOVEMBER 3rd, and make every effort to attend? Take advantage of the fact that you live in this area and can enjoy such outstanding entertainment with a minimum of effort. ‡

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## President's Message

Thanks to those faithfuls attending the June outdoor meet. Our next event will be the outdoor general meeting at Huddart Park . . . and for those that missed the June meeting . . . ride up, tie up and eat up . . . just ask any of those that did attend . . . I'll look for more of our members at the July meeting . . . and if it's as successful as the first, I will ask that the outdoor idea be extended into September or even October—weather permitting. Your attendance will be the evidence of your desire in this matter.

Orchids to Bob Hopper and Elmira Liebow . . . in forming the Color Guard for the Fourth of July Parade . . . and lest you haven't heard . . . we won the first prize for the senior riding groups . . . ORCHIDS to the following riders, Bob Hopper, Elmira Liebow, Polly Aldige, Kathy Schiffers, Bill Loomis, Carol Rynders, Nancy Boland, Darlene Bradford, Hank Zaban . . . and many thanks . . . If you saw the parade and didn't notice the extra Tack . . . White tie ropes . . . White Neck ropes . . . and Blue Blankets . . . the latter made by our Elmira . . . and Bob thought of and got the ropes.

Remember the Jr. Horseshow — they need the cooperation of all members to repeat their honor show performance of last year . . . They need donations for the stakes, trophies and ribbons . . .

And while on the subject Our Mag Editor Pitt, the Winchell . . . assisted by Kathy Schiffers of and for the Junior portion of this mag—and you can see for yourself the interest and capability of this Gal. †

## THE JUNIOR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By MIKE MENEFEE

Since this is the "Junior" issue of the magazine, I find it fitting to write a Junior President's Message. First, I would like to thank Miss Kathy Schiffers, the incomparable Junior editor, for her success in composing this magazine. Kathy was ably assisted by that literary mentor, Pitt Winchell, to whom my thanks go also.

The San Mateo County Junior Horsemen's Association has fared fairly well during 1963. Any success that was achieved was due to the efforts of our advisors: Mrs. Darcy, Mr. Knott, and Mr. Paul Maxwell as well as those of our "family friends," Mr. and Mrs. Menefee and the rest of the Senior organization.

During 1963 the Juniors have won and lost several battles. The one hundred and forty-odd members have enjoyed more activities this year than ever before and each event has been successful either financially, socially, or both. The group has been able to sustain its Foster Child, Assunta Siracusa, who lives in Sicily and to donate funds to further the United States Equestrian Team. Also the group luckily contains several very active members who are willing to work for the club. The Junior Officers, Mike Menefee, Nancy Losey, Mimi Hemgren, and Carol Darcy compose this group as well as Sarah Reese, Cindy Knott, and Kathy Schiffers.

It is my hope that all of our members will enthusiastically support our organization by attending meetings and taking part in our activities. We need YOUR effort to maintain a closely-knit, capable organization.

The recent Junior Overnight Ride was a great success, in spite of the small attendance. The ride was beautiful and campfire activity was delightful. When the event was over on Sunday noon, the riders left refreshed, not tired, and they were eager to ride again. Fortunately, the ride was composed of an excellent group of young horsemen who integrated well, but as they say "the more, the merrier."

The San Mateo County Junior Horsemen's Association provides many activ-

## JUNIORS IN EUROPE

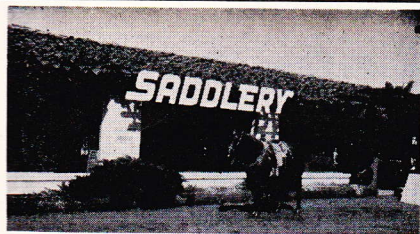
By JANET LINFOOT

The benefits of early association with horses was clearly demonstrated on June 17 at the San Francisco Airport, when the Woodside High Boosters Student Tour to Europe took wing for 28 unforgettable days in England, Luxembourg, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, San Marino, Monaco and France. Among the lucky travelers are two Junior SMCHA members, Steve Carlton and Kerry Linfoot, and here's how the horses paid off for them. Steve earned part of his get-away money by buying hay in volume and selling it to local horse owners, while Kerry financed her trip through the purchase of Thoroughbred yearlings which she raised, trained and sold as two year old racing prospects on the track.

Both students plan to see as much of the horse activities in the countries they visit as the crowded schedule permits, and when they arrive home on July 17 we should be able to fill several columns with horsey news from across the water.

The student tour is under the guidance of Dr. Dan Liebowitz whose wife is an enthusiastic exponent of the Thoroughbred horse and is raising foals for the yearling markets at the Liebowitz place in Woodside. †

ities which channel the young horseman's energy into constructive and beneficial endeavors. The club educates its membership in the care and handling of horses and inevitably brings young people together. Any other purposes would be superfluous. †



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Left to right: Kathy Schiffers, Carol Rynders, President Hank Zaban, Nancy Boland and Bill Loomis.

## FOURTH OF JULY PARADE AND RODEO

In honor of our flag, and the signing of the Declaration of Independence, Redwood City hosts a grand two and one half hour parade and accompanying rodeo. This year, an estimated 125,000 enjoyed what has come to be "Northern California's biggest Independence Day parade." This annual event has been sponsored since 1939 by the Peninsula Celebration Association, an organization that deserves merit for its many successes. Credit should also go to the Parade Marshall John Larkin, the Grand Marshall Ole S. Oleson, the chairman of this Peninsula Celebration Association parade Ferris Miles, and to the many hard-working officials behind the scenes.

The 200-member Weldonian Band of Oakland claimed the best entry award; other entries included the St. Mary's Chinese Girls Drum Corps, the U.S. Naval School Command of Treasure Island,

the Stuart Highlanders of San Francisco, numerous floats—complete with flowers and pretty girls, and a bevy of horseless carriages of the "good old days." Among the novelty entries were the Chihuahua wagon train of Stockton, L. C. Smith's red circus wagon, and Louis Silva's Clydesdale horses and wagon.

Of special interest to riders were the awards presented in the Rodeo arena.

The San Mateo County Horsemen's Association claimed the Best Senior Mounted Group trophy, through the efforts of nine of our members. Thanks to these nine for their support. Other awards included: Best Dressed Senior Cowgirl, Wendy Perruquet; Best Dressed Senior Cowboy, Jim Newman; Best Matched Pair, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Fritz; Best Novelty Entry, Roy Schweniger with his Welsh ponies and Stagecoach; Best Junior Mounted Group, the San Mateo County Junior Sheriff's Posse; Best Sheriff's Group, the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County. If you attended the parade you couldn't help but get a kick out of George Otterson's Brahma Bull trained to saddle and bridle.

The Rodeo followed the presentation of awards, vying for attention with the colorful midway entertainment (rides were hard and exciting in both instances.) Cars lined Bayshore Highway all afternoon watching the fast-moving program. A special feature was Corinne Williams, the only woman steer wrestler and bronc rider in the United States.

Hostess for the rodeo was 18-year-old Teda Lane of Palo Alto.

Climaxing an already full day was a round of fireworks in the evening which could be seen for miles.

All in all, it was a delightful, exhausting holiday celebration, and many thanks to those who made it possible. ‡

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Dear Kathy:

*When I received your invitation to prepare an article for your Monthly Magazine, I thought it would be well to have Sheila McBean, who is now in our office here in Washington, write the article because formerly she was a member of your group. She did write the article, which is enclosed, and it should be published with her name as the author.*

By SHEILA McBEAN

Today we are living in a world that never stands still. Therefore our minds as well as our bodies must be constantly active and productive. This is why at an early age organizations for youth activities are so vital.

In the world today there are so many organizations dealing solely with young people and their varied interests. To name only a few — the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the young political parties, church organizations, Horsemen's Clubs and many others.

What does a young person gain by becoming a member of a youth organization? I believe an individual in working with a group learns to combine and use his talents to his greatest capacity. He learns the importance of striving for a goal and enjoys the satisfaction of its final reward.

For example take a horsemen organization. In this type of group a young child learns the care and management that goes into owning a horse as well as the basics of actual equestrian knowledge. He is given a sense of responsibility in that the entire care of his horse is up to

## -- THE HORSEY SET --

With the Fourth of July Celebration now past history, and a greater success than ever before, attention is focused on Salinas Big Week and the biggest rodeo of all.

The Santa Clara Horsemen will have their group in the Grand Entry at Salinas and Mrs. Jack Mehl and Mrs. Harry Allen will be among the local riders. The Allens just returned from a wonderful vacation and a successful fishing trip in Southern Oregon.

Steve Sacco of Entrance Way is now at home recovering from a spinal operation.

Miss Louise Rodgers accompanied Miss Ruth Woolsey and her fine stable of horses to Santa Barbara where both will participate in the show.

Many of our members are planning to attend the four-day ride sponsored by Los Viajeros, July 18, 19, 20 and 21 in beautiful Memorial Park, Pescadero.

The Ramsay family are spending part of the summer at their Ranch near Jackson Hole, Wyoming and also visiting Sun Valley, Idaho. ‡

him. He learns the importance of hard work that in the end gives him satisfaction. I also believe a child is more appreciative of his instruction than one who has just been handed an animal and told to ride it.

Competition is so important also. Once a child has worked with his horse for some time, he then puts it into competition to see the results of his efforts. How does he match up to his competitors? In competition not only the horse is on display but also the rider. Determination, good sportsmanship and fair play are primary in importance. I can remember at one show some time ago my horse stopped at a fence and, unfortunately, I was quite close to the judge. Later he brought it to my attention that I not only should curb my temper but also my language.

I feel very strongly that youth organizations, if well managed, are vital in our country. It is the young generation that makes and will make our country what it is and what it will be in the future. Therefore, at an early age, if children are properly guided, they will grow up to make a generation of bright, knowledgeable people who will guide our constantly moving nation. ‡

## MOUNTED PATROL OF SAN MATEO COUNTY NEWS

By RAY LOOMIS

The big event for the Mounted Patrol this month was the annual Fourth of July Parade in Redwood City. It was the most colorful and successful in the history of the City. A crowd of 125,000 witnessed this spectacular show and their applause exemplified their hearty approval.

The Mounted Patrol unit was under the direction of our Mount Sergeant, Jerry Smith, who, through hard work and push, came up with over 30 riders. For the first time, the Mounted Patrol sported their new uniforms, along with their side arms. Very impressive.

As leading unit of the parade, the Mounted Patrol was headed by Captain Rich Delucchi. The color guard consisted of four matched chestnuts with American flags, followed by two white Arabians with the California State flag and the Mounted Patrol flag. The unit followed in matching pairs.

After the parade, the Mounted Patrol proceeded to the fair grounds and took part in the Grand Entry, where they were awarded first prize in the Sheriff's division. They also received a beautiful trophy, which they are proud to add to their collection. The San Francisco Sheriff's Posse was awarded second prize. Let's keep up the good work.

You members who were absent from the dinner meeting last Tuesday night missed one of the best feeds put out this year.

Work is continuing in all committees to make this year's Five Day Ride one that you won't want to miss. By the way, we want every man who participates in this ride to feel pride in the Mounted Patrol Ride Book by sending in a good picture of himself. This way we can have 100% photo representation. ‡

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## STANFORD CONVALESCENT HOME HORSE SHOW

By MRS. JOSEPH PICKERING

More than 200 entrants will compete for trophies and stakes at the 13th annual Stanford Convalescent Home Horse Show August 17 at the Menlo Circus Club in Atherton. Climax of the one-day affair will be the evening show at 8 p.m. when riders in nine events will compete for a total of \$1,350 in stakes.

Starting time for the morning show is 8:30 a.m. and the afternoon show, 1:30 p.m.

One of the West's outstanding charity events, the horse show has been designated an Honor Show for the third consecutive year by the American Horse Shows Association. The show is presented by the Woodside-Atherton Junior Auxiliary to the Stanford Convalescent Home and all proceeds benefit the Home, a 65-bed specialized hospital and rehabilitation center for children.

Organized in 1919, the Stanford Convalescent Home is situated on property which was formerly the home of Senator and Mrs. Stanford and is close to the old Palo Alto Farm where Senator Stanford raised his famous thoroughbred horses in the 1880's. The Home accepts patients requiring hospitalization for chronic diseases and physical disabilities through the teenage years. There are no restrictions as to race, creed or religion.

Adding to the evening affair will be the glamorous "Tally Ho Hunt" party beginning at 5 p.m. with cocktails and fashion show around the pool at the Menlo Circus Club. Dinner, dancing, and entertainment will continue throughout the evening.

Exhibitors may obtain information from Mrs. John R. Johnson, 1016 Cotton St., Menlo Park; telephone DA 5-1053. For ticket information contact Mrs. R. S. Freese, 167 Lois Lane, Palo Alto; telephone DA 3-1605. ‡



## THE ASSUNTA STORY

By NANCY LOSEY

One of the continuous projects of the Jr. Horsemen is the care of our Italian orphan, Assunta Siracusa. We found out about Assunta through the Foster Parents' Plan, Inc., of New York. It has been established since 1937 and is said to be "a new life, a new hope for little people."

Since the founding of this organization in 1937, when it made an effort to save the children of the Spanish Civil War, Foster Parents' has adopted more than 100,000 children in the name of donating organizations.

In twenty-five years three-quarters of the 100,000 children have been rehabilitated and "graduated" from the plan. Within this period of a quarter of a century wars have made innumerable children victims of pity. But the plan has rescued many starving, cold, barely clothed children (many of whom were homeless). The Foster Parents' Plan has done work in such areas as Hong Kong, Greece, South Vietnam, the Philippines, certain wretched parts of France, Southern Italy, and South America.

Our Assunta lives in Sicily, an island off the southern tip of Italy. There she lives with her mother and younger brother, Rosario, and attends school, a

## TALES OF RANCHO EL CAMINO

By SYLVIA SCHMIDT

As you know our barn dance was a benefit affair for the Recreation Center for the Handicapped of San Francisco and we are happy to report that we will have a nice check to present to them at their forthcoming benefit horse show in Golden Gate Park Sept. 14 and 15.

Many thanks to all who donated the food, to Dev Zappettini for the Mar Vista Stable, Rickey and Jean Traversaro and Hap Maillard for the wonderful music. This again shows the real wonderful spirit of cooperation that is evident among the San Francisco Bay area horsemen clubs. And for this, we the members of Rancho El Camino, are happy to be a part of that new spirit.

It is good to see Ray Terrill up and back in the saddle again, good riding Ray, it takes a lot to keep a good man down.

Our vacation season is here again and many of our friends and members will be away from the local events for awhile, so see you next month. ‡

of the world. Assunta is now about 12 or 13 years old. When she was about nine she attended her first communion in a lovely white floor-length dress with a lace bodice and sleeves and tiered skirt; her veil looked like a wedding veil. (The dress was borrowed from a friend.)

Monthly, we send Assunta \$15 with which she buys her clothes, food and occasionally some sort of toy. At Christmas the maximum amount of money allowed by F.P.P. as a gift to Assunta is \$25. Each month a different member of the Junior Horsemen's writes Assunta a letter telling her about our way of life in America. By now, Assunta must have quite a collection of pictures of our Juniors and their horses.

Our letters, and Assunta's replies, are addressed to the Foster Parents' Plan in New York, which, in turn, translates them and sends them on. Assunta always writes very warmly and signs all her letters "most affectionate kisses" or "hugs and kisses from my little brother, Rosario, my mother and myself," or "heartly kisses and hugs from myself."

I hope that many other people and organizations will have the pleasure of joining the Foster Parents' Plan and brightening the lives of unfortunate

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## OLSEN-NOLTE RIDE-LUNCH

The OLSEN-NOLTE RIDE for 1963 will be on Sunday, August 4, and the riders will assemble at the Woodside Stables, ready to leave at 10 a.m. Al Cryer has made plans to take them on a very enjoyable ride and the arrival at the Zwierlein area in Huddart Park will be at 12 noon.

This has been a traditional Ride for the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association for the past several years and it is hoped that the 1963 OLSEN-NOLTE RIDE will be in the usual pattern. Some confusion at the eating area, once in a while some delays, but it always seems to turn out all right. Creed Haberlin is making an all out effort to take care of the loose ends and is organizing a crew of chefs, soft drink and beer experts and a special department to handle salt, pepper, catsup and mustard.

It is very important that those planning to go on the Ride check in with Al or Creed at the store or by phone and make reservations. It is very difficult to estimate the number that will be in attendance and the only way a shortage of hamburgers, salads and beans, etc., can be avoided is—this sincere request—that everyone planning to come phone in and be listed. It seems that on the last two or three Rides more people showed up than had been anticipated and this always means a hurried trip down to Woodside—some more confusion and delay. Please remember to *check in with Al or Creed*—and make a *reservation*—it will be very much appreciated. ‡

## SMCHA 13th Annual Spring Horseshow "From the Food Shack"

By JIM MENEFE

The Spring Horseshow food chairmen, Mary Darcy and Ann Menefee, wish to begin some very pleasant "thank you notes" by complimenting the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County on their excellent new food shack which practically made our work a joy.

A thank you to Mario De Lemos who not only donated the vital cooking rig, but his personal "professional" services too; to Dave McCarty (also ring crew, etc.) and Merv Keegan who cooked both days and helped clean up with "vigah"; and to Lynn Swainston who did several jobs besides food and beer duty.

A very special thank you for Clyde De Benedetti for super all 'round leg work, practically anticipating our every need. As Prexy Hank would say, "an orchid" to Lynn Darcy, the "shet-up" man, who really knows what to do in a cook shack wherever needed, Lynn was there.

To Stu Knott who gathered and delivered all the necessary food, a real big help. To ticket booth head, Barbara Stookey, and her assistants, Nancy Boone, Phyllis Milburn, Betty Whitmore, Doris Jones and Barbara McPherson. To "counter gals" Margaret Barbera, Hazel Loomis, Barbara DeBenedetti, Mariana Wall, Donna Knott, Ruth Kipnis, Betty Newcome, Ann Haslip, Dorothy Jones, Maude Winchell, Virginia Siegfried, Clem Carrol, Jane Coladarci, Jeanne Mesak and Adele Swainston, who "sandwiched" counter tending in between many other assignments. We can't forget Pat Schnier, Ruby McNannus and Sally Smith who helped so much as usual. Our faithful beer bartenders, Ray Loomis and Bud Gasivoda, assisted capably by Joyce and Rick Reynolds.

Big orchids to Juniors, Chip Knott, his cousin, Steve Potter, Bill Hopper and veteran Carol Darcy. These "whiz kids" not only dispensed soft drinks like crazy but accepted every task when needed.

To any one we may have missed, you better believe the error was strictly unintentional because you were all grand. We could not have made it without you.

Remember to "volunteer" again for our Junior Show coming up August 10th and 11th. Don't miss your "ring side elevated seat."

## HANKS PRANKS

FIRST OUR THANKS TO FIRE CHIEF JOHNNY VOLPIANO for the privilege of using the firehouse rec. room for our last two Board of Directors meetings.

To . . . the advertisers that helped so much with our Horseshow Program . . . I know that our members will show their appreciation by their patronage.

To . . . Mario De Lemos, Clyde De Benedetti, Dave and Virginia McCarty, Elmira Leibouw, Norma Fewry, Lynn Darcy, Polly Aldige, Irma Goldsmith, Margaret Barbera, Katharine Zaban and all that helped with the serving at the June outdoor meeting.

To . . . Ben Rice Skywood Flying A . . . for the donation of the cooking fuel.

To . . . Bob Stallings our genial County Manager . . . for undertaking the task of reminding some of our members who have not yet renewed their membership this year . . . it would certainly help our trail program . . . and more and more are we going to need numbers in an organized effort to extend use of our trails.

ORCHIDS . . . to our Mag Editor . . . Pitt the Winchell on the splendid July Mag . . . the red, white and blue . . . and the all around readable matter of interest to all horsemen.

And now Aloha . . . off to Hawaii to gather some sun . . . some business . . . some fun (notice business comes in the middle.) ‡

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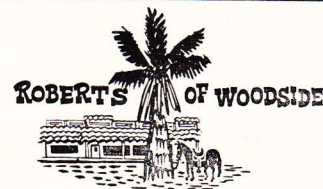
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## The Junior Horse Show

By MIKE MENEFEE

Tired of horse shows or tired of working on them? Well, don't give up yet because the San Mateo County Jr. Horsemen's Association's 9th Annual Jr. Horse Show is right around the bend. It will be held at the Mounted Patrol Grounds in Woodside, California, on Saturday and Sunday, August 10th and 11th, 1963. As usual, the Juniors need all the help they can get, both physically and financially. It would be appreciated if you would return the donation letter that you have already received.

Judges for this, the Junior's largest and most important event, will be Mrs. Janice Calandri who will judge the Hunter, Jumper, and Hunter Seat Equitation classes, Mr. Jack Manners who will officiate during the Western and Stock Seat Equitation classes, and Mr. William Fyock will judge the Saddle and Saddle Seat Equitation classes.

Our show is again approved by the American Horse Shows Association as a Local Show Member, and for the third time it is classified as a "Junior" horse show by the Pacific Coast Hunter, Jumper, and Stock Horse Association.

Admission is free. All of the Saddle Seat classes will be held on Sunday, August 11th, and this year, the Family Class has been divided into Western and English divisions. A challenge trophy will be awarded to each of the two winning families. We have put much emphasis on this class because it is a new innovation in the show ring and we are hoping that you will enthusiastically support it too.

All connected with this year's Junior Horse Show are endeavoring to retain its present position as an AHSA Honor Show. To accomplish this feat, everyone working on the show must do his assigned duties to keep the show operating efficiently and smoothly.

Premium lists are already out; entries close August 3. For information, prize list, or to donate time or money, just call Mike Menefee at 851-7702. We need your help! ‡

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He's got no rattle  
And a bucket seat's rough  
Compared to a saddle.

A plug with spark is what I'll pick  
I'll handle the reins without a straight  
stick  
I'll shift into lope  
I can't strip the gears  
I'll know if he's meshing  
By the set of his ears.

Hoss power I'll take, true and bold  
He'll need no chocking whenever he's  
cold  
His ribs will not dent  
His lights will not fail  
He'll go where you want to  
With a swish of his tail.

His only gas is red oat hay  
Usually bought out of Daddy's pay  
A sack full of grain  
Lawn clippings of clover  
Cost less than the fine  
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I want a stetson upon my head  
To ride without lights, green, orange  
or red  
It's up on a hoss  
When I feel classy  
Not cut down jobs  
With their under-slung chassis.

I won't have a jalopy to drive  
I'm at my best on something alive  
A bucket of bolts  
Can never compare  
To whatever I'm riding  
Be it gelding or mare.

You can take the "strip" and Sunday  
Drag Races  
Kicks for me are the wide open spaces  
I'd rather a trail  
With needles of pine  
Than to cut in and out  
Of the broken white line.

So when you're driving the great highway  
Your nerves are tense and you're losing  
your way  
Start thinking of me  
And this little poem  
I'll drop the reins and I'll get home! ‡

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SEPT. 2-7, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA  
By GAIL RATHBUN

— AGENDA —

MONDAY, SEPT. 2

7:00 p.m.—Happy Hour  
8:00 p.m.—Kick-off Dinner  
8:30 p.m.—Fashion Show  
9:00 to 12:00 p.m.—Dancing

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3

All Day—Horse Show  
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

All Day—Horse Show  
10:00 a.m.—General Assembly  
2:00 p.m.—Resolutions Committee

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

All Day—Horse Show  
FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

All Day—Horse Show  
10:00 a.m.—Convention City Committee  
2:00 p.m.—General Assembly  
6:00 p.m.—SMCHA Cocktail Party  
SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

11:30 a.m.—Parade  
1:00 p.m.—Grand Entry and Awards  
Evening—Fashion Show, Auto Drawing,  
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SMCHA will stay at the Towne and Country Lodge. We have reserved 20 rooms. Make your reservation with Gail Rathbun 851-0184. Don't wait too long and lose out. Reservations are starting to come in. Single, \$8.00; double, \$12.00 per night. ‡

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## REPORT ON STATE TRAILS

By GEORGE M. DEAN

Despite the best efforts of many people, we didn't quite get the support needed in the Senate Governmental Efficiency Committee to approve AB 1877, the State hiking and riding trails bill. However, our campaign has made a lasting impression on our State Legislature and I believe we will see a trails bill passed during the 1965 session.

Meanwhile, the Senate and Assembly Natural Resources Committee will conduct a joint investigation of the trails problem. They should come up with a study pinpointing every property owner refusing to grant trail rights of way and determine the estimated costs of easements and necessary construction to complete the 3,000-mile system. A new bill, based on this study, will then be introduced in the 1965 session.

We were greatly disappointed in the delay, but we realized that the Senators in the Committee representing the timbermen, cattlemen and other rural interests, have been traditionally opposed to any use of eminent domain power in connecting portions of the State trail. It is up to us to either convince them that their stand is wrong, or else generate sufficient support from their areas to push the 1695 bill through.

I thought a recent editorial in the Redwood City *Tribune* and Palo Alto *Times* summed up our challenge very well and also gave to Assembly Britschgi the recognition he so richly deserves for his work on AB 1877. I quote the editorial in full:

"It's too bad Assemblyman Carl A. Britschgi, R-Redwood City, has had to settle for an interim study rather than enactment of his bill to speed completion of state riding and hiking trail loops.

After galloping through the Assembly, Britschgi found the main trail blocked in a Senate committee, where timbermen, cattlemen and cow country solons massed their objections. They disliked his aim of giving the State Division of Beaches and Parks limited power to condemn "missing link" trail land after all efforts to negotiate its purchase fail.

So he's taking a side path now. If the interim study leads to some effective compromise or persuades reluctant senators that eminent domain must be used, fine.

If not, Britschgi should double back

## JUNIOR TALES

By CAROL DARCY

Now that the horse show season is in full swing the biggest SMCHA Junior event of the year, a two-day horse show, will be held at the Mounted Patrol Grounds in Woodside on August 10th and 11th. All juniors, their families, and their friends are invited to work, show, or come as spectators. Anyone wishing to work may contact Mike Menefee, chairman, phone 851-7702.

The high point winner of the June playday was Janis Lawson, but winner or not, everyone had fun!

At the SMCHA Senior horse show in June the following Juniors were first place winner:

AHSA Medal Class, Saddle Seat: Linda Allen on Mr. Cricket.

AHSA Medal Class, Stock Seat: Richard Andersen on Chopp'd.

Equitation, Saddle Seat: Laureen Bechtel on Uptown Charlie.

Trail Horses: Allen Cathcart on Brookwood Melanie.

AHSA Medal Class, Hunter Seat: Pam Edy on Rimsky.

Equitation, Stock Seat: Debra Andersen on Chopp'd.

Jumpers: Elizabeth Flood on Lord Dartmouth.

Jumpers: Betty Lu Whitmore on Blue Haze.

Equitation, Saddle Seat: Julie Peter-son on Sally's May Day.

Equitation, Stock Seat: Richard Andersen on Chopp'd.

Equitation, Hunter Seat: Kris Davis on Pono Kai.

Western Pleasure Horses: Cam Curtiss on Dapper Dan.

Equitation, Hunter Seat: Linda Hartman on Dun Got It.

Horsemanship for Children: Kim Krull on Sugar Plumb, English, 1st; Stacy Kelly on Rusty, Western, 1st. ‡

in 1965 to the main track and ride on to a showdown. The issue is whether the public necessity for these trail loops outweighs the inconvenience some big private landowners fear.

While the urgency for securing these trails is perhaps not so great as for other park acquisitions, the tendency is for new complications to arise as time passes." ‡

## OUR STORY . . .

(Continued from Back Page)

ident Egli revived interest in our trails by holding several enjoyable rides. Our Annual Senior Horseshow became an "Honor Show" for the first time, again through the help of the Figonis.

Kit Carlton was our President during 1962, and it was largely through his membership drive and interesting horse activities that our membership gained the 600 mark. Our Senior Horseshow was again an "Honor Show," and the Mt. Diablo Overnight Ride was very successful and enjoyable. Nineteen sixty-two was the first year of the expanded Horse-mastership Program for our Juniors under the tutorage of Mr. Paul Maxwell.

So far this year, we are up to standard with Hank Zaban as President. ‡

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## SMCHA 13th ANNUAL SPRING HORSESHOW

It's impossible to please all the people all of the time, but we believe there are few, if any, who were not pleased with your recent 13th Annual Spring Horse Show. Thanks to two beautiful days weatherwise and to the cooperation of many loyal horsemen, this was our largest show and a smashing success from every angle.

The record number of entries, 450 plus, helped to attract an unusually large and enthusiastic spectator attendance. Although, many were seeing their first horse show, their enjoyment was obvious and Announcer Stu Knott aided their understanding of events with complete comments at the start of each class. Incidentally, the crowd kept the food shack jumping and consumed record quantities. The heroic efforts of the food committee and staff are being covered separately in this issue so here's just a warm thank you to all hands.

First impressions mean much to exhibitors and spectators alike and the smooth efficiency of the Parking team under Chairman Gail Rathbun probably contributed much to the good nature of the crowd. George Mountford, Jerry Smith, Jack Newcome, John Underwood, Travis Reid, Rich Delucchi, Merv Kipnis, Joe Schiffers and Kit Carlton aided Gail. Jumping events attract and please the crowd but can drag out a show unless the Ring Crew and Paddock Stewards are really on the ball.

For the second year in a row Howard Sonnicksen demonstrated he has that rare combination of ability and willingness. Howie and his crew were tops. Bob

Hopper, as chief Paddock Steward, kept the Hunters and Jumpers moving promptly into the ring as soon as the courses was ready. Thank you gentlemen of ring and paddock teams for keeping our show moving smoothly. Thanks also to Charlie Wheeler, Jr., for the interesting and fair Hunter and Jumper courses and a very special doff of our battered chapeau to Dick Decker, Fieldmaster of the Los Altos Hunt for assisting in Judging the AHSA Medal Class, Hunt Seat.

The crowd loved the cattle working classes and Harry Conley really does a big favor for us in providing this excellent stock. The directors of the California Reined Cow Horse Association have told us that our show consistently has the best cattle of the entire circuit. Be certain to thank Harry when you see him.

Many of the events and much of the routine of Horse Shows has not changed over the years, but Bud Aldige and his modern "walkie-talkies" certainly eased the way for Irma Goldsmith, Warren and Doris Jones and Paul Egli do an outstanding job in handling the presentation of awards without a hitch. Many thanks to the lovely ladies who cooperated in the presentations and to the many donors who made the beautiful ribbons and trophies possible. Let's all be sure to express our personal appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Marron Kendrick who donated the entire Western Trail Horse stake, the L. W. Lane Family for the Stock Horse stake and Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Piers for providing the Open Working Hunter stake.

Lynn Anne Carlton designed and laid out the best Trail Horse courses we have had in several years and the Western Judge, Dick Deller, was most compli-

## Hospitality Reminders

Hospitality and consideration for the needs and problems of each member are assumed by the Chairman. However, it is most effectively used when each junior and senior member assumes this responsibility whenever and where-ever he is confronted by possible need for it. In addition to this immediate response to a member or to a non-member, by either junior or senior member acting for hospitality, information of death or illness or joy or need of any kind should be immediately forwarded to your Chairman of Hospitality, Irma C. Goldsmith.

She will send cards or letters or visit where there seems to be a need for this and follow through in cooperation with you at the association level. The only secret for success is your kind cooperation with her and your own action following the familiar instruction to "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

IRMA C. GOLDSMITH,  
Hospitality Chairman

mentary about them. Many exhibitors also expressed their pleasure with these natural hazard courses without the "gimmicks" found at most shows. Thank you, Lynn Anne, for a fine job. Another "younger" member who did a large job with adult dispatch was Mike Menefee who expertly handled the events in the warm-up ring.

To Ray Loomis, Guido Gasivoda, Clyde DeBenedetti, Walt Cole, Jules Aldige, Ray Barbera, Ralph George, and Kit Carlton who all handled many and varied assignments as the show progressed, your chairmen are indeed indebted. We also believe the membership should be fully aware of the part President Hank Zaban played in assuring the success of your show. Personable Hank did not confine his help to Ringmaster duties on Saturday but his actual and valuable aid began months ahead of the show and the success of your show is, in large part, because of his efforts.

Many fine people made this show and our sincere apologies to any we may have overlooked as we try to make like a steno. If we missed you here, we have not missed you in our hearts and we'll be sure to warmly thank you personally again and again. It was truly our pleasure and honor to work with all of you.

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**JULY**

28th - Outdoor Meeting, Huddard Park.

**AUGUST**

10th and 11th - Junior Horseshow  
4th - Olsen Nolte Ride  
22nd - Family Ride  
25th - Outdoor Meeting, Huddart Park

**SEPTEMBER**

3rd - 8th - State Convention, Fresno  
14th - Enchanted Hay Ride.  
27th - General Meeting, Pacifica.  
29th - Futurity and Playday

**OCTOBER**

7th - Directors Meeting  
25th - General Meeting combined with Cow Palace Show

**NOVEMBER**

29th - General Meeting

**DECEMBER**

4th - Directors Dinner Meeting  
13th - Christmas Party  
15th - Juniors Gymkhana

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# OUR STORY . . .

By KATHY SCHIFFERS

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With the revival of interest in horses and horse activities, Mr. L. C. Smith was asked by San Mateo County officials, in 1939, to organize a group of horsemen for a parade in Burlingame. He did so, and, one year later, this group of enthusiastic horsemen officially became the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association with L. C. Smith as our first President. Our uniform shirts were rose colored, and, appropriately, our first magazine was "The Pink Shirt." Many remember the two day, 65 mile Competitive Trail Ride of that year.

The war years added a burden to our social activities, and many of our members heard their call to the colors. President Ed Spillane (1942-1943) held the club together in the face of all this. At that time, we became members of the California State Horsemen's Association, and saw the formation of the Mounted Patrol.

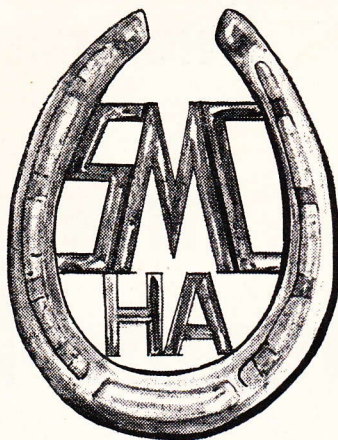
In March of 1944, Creed Haberlin became President and activities bloomed. "The Pink Shirt" became an income source, membership rose, and the State-wide Trail Program was established.

Our fourth President was Al Cryer, whose slogan "Let's be alive in '45" set the pace for that year: rides, parties, shows, and the organization of the present "San Mateo Horsemen" magazine.

Pete Towne became President in 1946, and was instrumental in the county's acceptance of Huddart Park as a recreation area. 1946 was another year of activity: new black and white uniform shirts, official association pins, Fourth of July Parade (a trophy), New Year's Eve party, rides, and shows.

Nineteen forty-seven saw the election of K. L. McDonald as President, who instigated a huge membership drive. A Junior Horsemen's group was formed at this time, with Sally Towne as President, and the usual round of activities ensued.

Richard Delucchi was installed as President in 1948, and supported the late Ed Zwierlein as California State Horsemen's Association President. This year



Park Fund toward trail maintenance, and many of our members went on the historic "Portola Trek" ride from San Diego to San Francisco.

Nineteen forty-nine proved to be a good year with Sandford Wara as President. The first regional dinner took place in Monterey, we claimed a first place trophy at the Fourth of July celebration and our Convention representation was good.

Stan Schlichting became our next President. Our by-laws were brought up-to-date in 1950, and along with our regular activities, we were represented by 100 members at the Palm Springs Convention.

Robert Oleson became President in 1951. During his term, we held an open Horseshow at the Gymkhana Club — very successful. Our Convention representation hit the 70 mark, and we earned a trophy in the Fourth of July Parade.

Nineteen fifty-two was a year of firsts with President Bill Louw. Meetings moved again, this time to Carpenter's Hall, and were well attended. We had our first White Elephant Sale then, and our first Outdoor meeting (at the

Mounted Patrol grounds).

Next on our "Presidents Roster" is Jerry Schromm. During his term, the "Ribbon Cutting" took place, opening the Spring Valley Water Property trails to horsemen.

The following three years, 1954, 1955, and 1956 were ones of regular activities with Presidents the late Ed Zwierlein, Jerry Harwood, and Bill Callahan, respectively.

The late Warren Jones became our 16th President in 1957. This year, the Juniors received a lot of support, and provided entertainment for meetings. Membership was high, as was our bank account.

Nineteen fifty-eight saw the inauguration of our "very first lady" President — Barbara Sailor. During her term, we held a two-day Horseshow, and, (her own invention) a "Family Fun Day" picnic.

In 1959, Robert Williams was elected President of the Horsemen's. Attendance was high at meetings due to the Folk Dancing Exhibitions and Square Dancing program. Pitt Winchell took over the editorship of our magazine, and a large delegation of San Mateo Horsemen attended the Turlock Convention.

Jim Menefee came next on our "Presidents Roster," and he brought with him fine ideas and good programs. This year, 1960, meetings were moved from Carpenter's Hall to the Veterans' Memorial Building. Our Annual Horseshow became a class "C" show under the AHSA, due to Rich and Bonnie Figoni's chairmanship.

Nineteen sixty-one saw the inauguration of Paul Egli as our President. Pres-

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