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Your Horse Show

The two day Horse Show is about upon us. June 14 and 15 is around the corner, so now your support is the most important item today. You ask how can I help?? This is simple, as some folks are unable to give time but you have received a donation letter and this is the most important and easiest way you can aid your organization that is working in your behalf to save trails. If you believe in this organization, then by all means mail what you can afford. Any amount is badly needed to put this show over. This may seem like a bad idea to start out a report with such a request, as no one likes to ask for money, but you must realize that this is the important help that makes or breaks your show.

If you are still with me, I would like to advise you that your jumps are made and thanks to the men who helped make this job possible. Mr. Charlie Sailor did a wonderful job of pre-cutting the jumps and put many hours into this project. Mr. Jud Mack helped Charlie lay out the plans and gave time on building them. Rich Figoni, Bill Wallace, Dave Boyd, Johnny Lehman, Warren Fox, Jr., and any others who may have given time after this article was written, I want to thank you.—You too, Stan Schlichting, for donating all the needed hardware.

The Ring Crew will be under the good guidance of Rich Figoni, who has worked hard with us to make this show outstanding. Rich will need about eight persons to help place the jumps in the ring and arrange the trail course. You know you can help Rich so why not pick up your phone now and give him a call. Thanks for picking up the phone, now dial FI 5-0784—hello Rich! Sure I will help . . .

Ah you lovely women, I knew you would not forget us. How? well this year we will sell our own food, which will not be a large job, because I know you are just waiting for your husband to get off the phone who is talking with Rich, so you can call Bernie Williams at EM 6-3024 that is right, tell her you can help or you will bring some of your outstanding sand-

Up San Mateo Way

Here it is May already and besides getting ready for the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association Horse Show on June 14-15, 1958, many of the local horsemen have been doing well in a number of "smaller" shows as the Napa Horse Show on May 4, 1958.

At that "small" show, Bobby Jones of Unicorn Farm took a first in the three Gaited Class on Autumn Leaves and 2nd on Tantalizer. Sherie Byrne received a 4th in the equitation class and Louise Rodgers took a 5th. This also was the first show for Nadine Johnson and although she did not win a ribbon she did a remarkable job as did Penny Rodgers.

At the Guadalupe Horse Show on April

wiches that we have been waiting to taste. Ah they look good and thanks for sending them.

On Saturday, June 14, our very good friend Sheriff Earl Whitmore, will have his outstanding S.M. Co. Jr., Sheriff's Posse Drill Team on display.

For some reason it seems to me that we should remember the name of Whitmore this year as he has done such an outstanding job in helping your children to become better horsemen. This is the kind of leadership our youth needs, as a busy youth is not in trouble. That is why we have put on a two day show, in order to put more classes for the youth in the show, to encourage our fine juniors to become better horsemen and keep them busy getting ready for the show.

Fred Kemm who has purchased the sound equipment and records from his own funds, in order that the organization can use it for various events throughout the year will have some fine records again this year. We all want to thank you Fred for your great help on this show and for the loan of this fine equipment.

Don't forget June 14 and 15 and tell your friends, make this one of the outstanding events for your organization. Thanking you

Al Williams, Horse Show Chairman. 27, 1958, Louise Rodgers received a 1st in the equitation class and her sister, Penny a 4th. Bob Robinson won the Open Walk-Trot Class. A new instructor has been added to the Unicorn staff in the person of "Mr. Tito Noqueira" a very fine horseman and former member of the President's guard, Portugese cavalry.

From the Concar Ranch, Glenthorne received the award of Green Hunter Champion at the Napa Show. Also at the Concar Ranch a Play Day was held with over 90 entries and a "barrel of fun," was had by all. At the Play Day, Joe Atkinson of the Borel Stable put on an exhibition with his famous movie horse, Ott, and his trained bull Brahma. Concar is planning to put on an exhibition of pair jumping, which is something not seen every day.

Many new faces have been added to the Concar Stable and among them are: (1) Sue Thompson and her fine palamino jumper, Miss Billy; (2) Carol Irvin and, Don't Lite; (3) Karan Steiner and Don; (4) Marty Kelso and Julie; (5) Janice Ritzau and Sassy; (6) Karren Heater and Furzie.

To help any horsemen wanting aid, the Concar Ranch has received the aid of one of our areas finest horsewomen, who is known by many of our members.

Polo, anyone? Well, the Menlo Circus Club is inviting anyone who wishes to watch a free polo game on Sunday afternoons, to come down. A thrill is in store to those who have never watched these fine horsemen in action.

The Borel Stables finally received an award. Sue Teller received 1st place in the Equitation class at the Concar Play Day on her horse John. Good going Sue, we're on our way.

By the way your's truly has just purchased a fine little Quarter Horse who appears to be a fine competitor in the future stock classes of our soon coming shows. I'm not bragging just confident.

That's all for now, see you next month.

Rich Figoni.

President's Message

Fellow horsemen,

Reports of various committee activities appear elsewhere in the magazine, so I assume only the pleasant duty of thanking these chairmen and their workers for their enthusiasm.

Certainly our programs have received well earned applause. I can't help but notice the difference from the time when I was program chairman. It shows what can happen when someone is really on the ball! Thanks, Irma, for what has been presented and for the surprises I'm sure you have in store for us. And I certainly would be amiss if I neglected to remember our "unsung heroes," the kitchen slaves. Jack and Verna are proving themselves an unbeatable team in the "coffee and" department. Your efforts are not going unnoticed, my friends.

To you, Billie Brawley, that was a terrific dance, as usual. Some fun, trying to recognize people under those eye lashes and mustaches. No one can really know the time and effort involved in putting on a dance such as that, but the end result is truly appreciated. Thanks. And if you haven't seen our name in the paper a few times this year, you had better see your occulist. Norma Kramer has been a busy little scribe and the papers have been very cooperative. Norma, your work has only just begun, but thanks for a great beginning.

Al Williams is a really busy boy now—his problems are hitting him fast and furiously, but my crystal ball tells me to watch for the biggest and best horse show in our history.

There are many more who have not yet appeared on the scene, but are laying the ground work for things to come. Our official photographer, Ray Barbera is hard at it at every meeting and event, and Don Shand, our historian is working on a history to present at the close of the year. These people and many more are working to make this a big year.

I come now to something that I consider a glaring weakness of our organization. As I think back through the years I remember activities which have enjoyed great success and others which have suffered tremendous failure. A lot of each can be explained away simply-either good planning or poor planning. But some of our affairs through the years have been planned by good, hard working committees, have offered our membership an opportunity of enjoying a top dinner dance, costume party or even, if you will, a day ride with a chance for comradeship and good times. Some of these activities, in fact, many of these activities have been very poorly attended. There are always the old faithfuls . . . A large number of our members seldom miss one of our doings. But we are a club of great numbers! We would fill a room three times the size of the one we just held our dance in. We

DR. BILL LINFOOT advises us that "Flies are a real pest, and as horsemen, we face an even greater problem with them than other people in the community, since flies thrive on the conditions surrounding livestock.

The common flies found around horses live on animal blood and propagate in the manure piles and moist straw and hay-stacks areas. These multiply rapidly especially in hot weather. Such insects are not only a nuisance, but harbor and transmit many animal and human diseases, such as anthrax, polio and sleeping sickness, as well as many forms of disentary.

As for cattlemen, the Bureau of Animal Industry estimates that the heel fly alone may cause an annual loss of over 100 million dollars, due to the hide damage caused by migrating warbles, and actual weight loss of up to 10 per cent in cattle from irritation and infection caused by these pests. You have probably noticed cattle in hot weather being stampeded by these flies.

We can reduce fly infestation by a number of methods. The first and best is to eliminate a suitable living and breeding environment for them. Manure should be removed from stalls and paddocks and spread in the hot sun to eliminate the moisture content rapidly. If this is not practical, then screened or covered manure bins are excellent storage space for manure until it can be removed for proper disposal.

Every form of cleanliness employed will aid in discouraging flies and in eliminating their feeding and breeding grounds. Traps and sprays help to kill flies and break the breeding cycle and should be used freely during the warm season.

The horsemen have a definite responsibility in the community welfare pattern concerning insect pests and should do their best to cooperate in any such program concerning them."—Courtesy, Peninsula Saddlery News.

could fill to overflowing the grandstand at our Horse Show—But we don't! Enthusiasm of committees soon wanes when support is lacking. It occurs to me that certainly we don't have that many events during a year to warrant lack of interest or support. Be assured, if certain events weren't scheduled during the year, the complaints would be loud and clear for all to hear.

I respectfully submit to you for consideration that we should all try harder to attend our dances, rides, horse shows, play days, etc. And while we're at it, let's have larger attendance at the meetings. You might be in for a great disappointment—you may just possibly enjoy yourselves!

P.S.—Suggestions are always welcome and gratefully received.

See you on the 28th.

General Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Sailor at 8:15 p.m. Ruth Meredith, hospitality chairman, introduced six new members and five guests.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the board of directors meeting were read and approved.

Marie Kemm, treasurer, stated there was nothing to add to the report given at the board of directors meeting.

The secretary then read the correspondence.

President Barbara Sailor then showed the trophy which was won by the group of flag-bearers led by Wayne Davis at the Guadalupe Red Shirt Show, it was for second place.

Committee Reports:

Bill Louw, magazine chairman, had no report except to ask for news, and to express his thanks that everyone enjoyed the magazine.

Ella Allen, ride chairman, explained that the April 20 ride had to be cancelled due to the trail conditions, and announced the following rides:

May 18, 10 o'clock, Woodside stables, leaders Dick Mezak and Jerry Harwood, bring lunch; coffee and beer provided.

June, leaders Al Cryer and Creed Haberlin, lunch to be provided in Huddart Park.

July, indefinite.

September, Presidents' ride. October, Sheriff Whitmore, leader.

Norma Kramer, publicity chairman, stated nothing new to report, but that the publicity has been good so far.

Barbara Sailor, reporting for Billie Brawley, dance chairman, stated that the dance was a loss financially, but everyone attending had a good time. She also said that it was a shame more people did not attend the affairs after the committee puts in so much time and work to have a good activity.

Toots Lopez, reported that the Veterans Hospital show would be on May 4 in Menlo Park, that it would be mostly gymkhana events, and asked those interested to be there at 12 o'clock.

President Barbara Sailor announced that the July 30 meeting would be an outdoor meeting and would be held at the new grounds in Huddart Park. She also stated that the senior over-night ride would be August 23 and 24.

It was moved by Margaret Standley, seconded by Dale Cauble, that the meeting be recessed to hear the speakers, carried.

Irma Goldsmith, program chairman, introduced the speakers, Sylvia Fischer Burt, western judge, and Bob Lewis, English saddle seat judge, who gave talks on the points and performances they look for in judging a show. The talks were followed by a question and answer session, following which Irma Goldsmith presented the speakers with a gift in appreciation of their kindness.

The meeting was resumed by President Barbara Sailor with the announcement of a ride to take place in San Francisco on May 4th. It is to be a "Special Horsemens Day," and will start in Bercut Field in Golden Gate Park, and she asked for as many as possible to attend.

Al Williams, horseshow chairman, re-

ported that the show is about in readiness, the jumps are cut and will be assembled on Saturday at the Charles Sailor home, he asked for donations, and introduced Alice Wallace, who is in charge of the committee to send out the letters to solicit money.

Richard Delucchi, grounds chairman, stated the grounds should be finished soon. Also there are some rooms left at the motel in Santa Maria, and anyone going should contact him for reservations.

It was suggested by Jack Carnevale that instead of using the donations to buy trophies, it be used as money for prizes; Al Williams explained that this had been considered, but that it brought up several problems, and was more expensive actually.

President Barbara Sailor introduced Homer Trigonis from San Francisco who announced that the San Francisco Mounted Patrol was sponsoring a family trail ride to be held in Memorial Park from July 23 to 27, at a cost of \$50.00 for riders and \$38.00 for non-riders.

It was announced that Priscilla Williams and Sharon Baynham, two of the junior members are running for queen on the July 4 Redwood City Rodeo.

Ella Allen reported that the Inter-Valley Clubs in Santa Clara are planning a ride to the Santa Maria convention this year, to leave from outside of King City.

There being no further business, it was moved by Alice Wallace that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Siegfried,
Secretary.

A RECENT AND MOST WELCOME addition to the Woodside area is a boarding and training stable managed by Mr. Carter Arnett of Merced. Mr. Arnett will train all types of Western horses, specializing in the cutting horse, at the old Webb Ranch off of Alpine Road.

At the intersection of Old La Honda Road and Portola Road, he has leased a spacious barn with numerous box stalls where horses will be boarded. There are also outside individual paddocks for each horse. Anyone interested in these wonderful facilities can contact Mr. Arnett by calling DA 6-8116.

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HERE IS AN EXCERPT from the newsletter put out by the Fremont Hills Country Club.

"Arrangements . . . etc. . . . accordingly"

So—we have another riding center down Los Altos way!

Seems like they have planned a grand opening day—including a HORSE SHOW, swimming Meet, family dance—for July 4.

For further information, call WHite-cliff 8-8261, or DAvenport 3-0091.

"ARRANGEMENTS HAVE JUST been completed by our "Horse Commiteee" for the employment of MR. CHIDLEY DUNLAP as Stable Manager effective April 15. Mr. Dunlap comes to use with the highest recommendations, and the Committee feels extremely fortunate to have been able to attract a man of his caliber. "Chid" is in his early "forties" and has an unchallenged reputation as one of our area's finest trainers and teachers. His background enables him to teach various types of riding from Western to the more specialized techniques required in handling

Arabian Mounted Patrol

The Arabian Mounted Patrol has been very busy the past few weeks. The Patrol has been drilling twice a week. On April 27 the Patrol was pleased to open the Guadalupe Red Shirts Horse Show at Los Gatos, with a precision flag drill. Later in the show Patrolman Earl Helsel entered his beautiful Arabian mare "Sharon" in the open Arabian breeding class. "Sharon" was shown by drillmaster Joe Young and placed second against some very good competition.

Cecil L. Ball entered his Arabian Gelding "AB Del Kadir" in the Western pleasure class. Audrey Stewert rode "AB Del Kadir" and placed 5th place in a large

and good class.

Cecil L. Ball has also added another fine Arabian Gelding to his stable, purchasing from the Richardson Spring Ranch "Jesyen," a many ribbon winner in shows throughout California. The Patrol also participated in the annual May Day parade and ceremonies May 3 at Palo Alto presenting their massed flag drill which was well received by several thousand spectators.

The Arabian Mounted Patrol has openings for horsemen or anyone interested in participating in our many activities. We also have several fine Arabian horses available to prospective members. Anyone interested please call Clair Sillman, EM 8-4661 or Cecil L. Ball, LY 3-7641.

Horsey Set

Margaret Standley and Ray Barbera spent a most enjoyable afternoon recently visiting the Baleri Quarter Horse Ranch in Los Altos. They report Bold Gallant measures up to all they had heard and found an additional attraction in the Baleri's charming young daughter Alicia.

Mrs. Glen Leitritz, of Woodside, is in Sequoia Hospital for surgery.

On April 20, Percy and Bernice Taylor held a "day for all horsemen" at their "Ano Nuevo Ranch" in Pescadero. Among those who attended from here were Rosemary Lehman, Billie Brawley, Jackie, Ella and Harry Allen, and Sylvia and Schmidy. The group trekked from the ranch up Waddel Canyon to a beautiful spot where a catered dinner was served by the PTA. There were about thirty nine for dinner including Mario and Bunny De Lemos and Virginia and Dave McCarty who drove down for the dinner.

On May 4 the Inter Valley Club sponsored a very fine benefit horse show for the Veterans at Palo Alto. The Santa Clara Horsemens Association greatly assisted in putting on this show and sponsored Jackie Allen who presided as "Queen for the Day" giving out the ribons and trophies and also winning one for herself.

"Jumpers" and Gaited horses.

The renovation of the barn is currently being undertaken, and when the dark clouds blow away construction of the riding ring and paddocks will be undertaken. The Committee advises that we should be able to accept horses for board sometime in May. Riding lessons and other stable activities will start accordingly."

"Junior Tattler" By Rich Sereni

A group of juniors consisting of Donna Williams, Carole Jones, Rich Sereni, Al Baglietto, and George Stables made up a "Code of Conduct" which will rule over all junior activities. It is as follows:

"Code of Conduct"

- 1. All persons attending Junior functions (such as: Dinners, Parties, Hay Rides, Dances, Regional Meetings, etc.) must remain until such functions are over (time to be decided for each affair). Permission to leave may be given by Junior Advisors ONLY.
 - 2. Rules such as:
 - A. No smoking in fire areas.
 - A. Swimming pool rules to prevail at private pools etc., must be obeyed at all outings.
- 3. Trail rules will govern all riding activities.
- 4. Loitering in parking areas before or after activities will not be tolerated.
- 5. Juniors who drive will obey ALL traffic, City, County, and State Laws. This also means, "NOEXCESSIVE NOISE"!!!
- 6. It is the duty of each Junior to protect the property of others.
- 7. Responsibility of each Junior to protect the good name of SMCHA Juniors.

News

We all had fun on our recent hay ride held on May 16.

Report at the Meeting

The talk given by Sylvia Fischer Burt (stock horse) and Bob Lewis (saddle seat), at the last meeting was very interesting.

Any junior who has not paid his dues yet and who is receiving the Horsemen paper this is definitely your last paper.

The date for the La Honda Junior Rodeo has been changed from July 13 to June 29.

Pvt. Harold Johansen was recently home on a ten day leave after which he went to San Antonio, Texas. Hal will specialize in Medics.

Two of our pretty Juniors are running for Rodeo Queen, they are Priscilla Williams, Sharon Baynham. Good luck to you both.

It's good to see that Teasion Red 49 "OLDS" back on the road again!! JOE!!

Gay Allen is anxiously waiting for her mare "Tally" to foal in July. Gay has seven adorable kittens to give away. UL

Doreen Holland one of our members from San Francisco won first in the Appollosa Pleasure and fourth in the color class at Guadalupe Red Shirt Show at Los Gatos.

Carol Ramsay is really off to a terrific start this season. Riding "Skipper" owned by Ray Hackworth, Carol won the Stock Horse Class at Guadalupe Red Shirts Show, Los Gatos. Keep up the good work Carol.

We have new neighbors in Woodside, Mr. and Mrs. Darcy (Mary and Lynn) and their daughter Carol Jean. Welcome to Woodside.

Don't forget the news kids. See you at the meeting on May 28, 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall.

Feed

A few years back, I worked for a rancher who didn't care to much for his stock. He sold all of his good hay and grain, to whoever paid the price for it. He kept all of the poor feed for himself. I told him, "that he was foolish to sell all of his good feed, that he should keep some for his own stock." (I guess some of you are wondering what all of this is leading up to. Well it's just this.)

Some of the hay he kept was moldy and so was the grain, (oats). When he started feeding this moldy hay, I told him "that it would kill some of his stock." He just laughed at me and said, "he didn't need any young hand to tell him how to feed, or what to feed his animals."

It only took four days for one of the horses to show symptoms of paralysis, and the next day it died. I didn't know then that horses got paralysis or not. (But I did from then on.) But I see that the horse was getting weak and unsteady, and had no control of himself, and very unsteady in the hindquarter. The tongue hung out of his mouth, and all he could do was to get around.

After the horse died, this rancher said to me, "I suppose you think the hay done this." I didn't answer him. He said, "the horse died of some kind of poisoning or something." But he did have the Vet come over and check the dead animal. After the Vet looked the animal over, he wanted to see the feed that was fed to him. After the Vet seen the hay, he told this rancher to get rid of it, or he would lose all of his stock. The rancher just couldn't see why. The Vet got out his magnify glass and showed the rancher why the horse died. The Vet told him that "the hay he was feeding was full of hay lice and germs, but they were to hard to see without a glass."

So if your horse is moving about in the barn or the corral with its head hanging, or has sunken eyes, depressed lip, or with considerable swelling, or just standing and sweats, you better call your Vet in a hurry if you want to save that animal. If you can't get your Veterinary, give your horse a laxative as quickly as possible to remove the poisonous mass from the system. You will have to act fast if you want to save the life of your horse. So when you buy hay make sure that the hay hasn't been rained on, or been wet in any way.

Another thing don't feed your animals too much. Greedy eater can and will often eat so much hay that they are unfit to ride, and it usually end up with heaves, or broken wind.

You will find that there is very few, if any, race horses that get sick or diseased. The fact is that race horses get so much, and that's all, they are never over fed. So don't feed your animal any more than it can clean up at a feeding. There is no

GOING TO MOVE? Numerous magazines are being returned unclaimed. If you're going to have a new address, please let us know. A post card will be fine. If somehow you read this article in your fellow-horsemen's magazine and not your own, are a paid up member, haven't moved, and have not been receiving your magazine, let us know and we'll investigate. For one last thought, if you've sent in your 1958 membership dues prior to the last two weeks and haven't received your new membership card, we'd like to know that too.—Asst. Treasurer.

Rae Deane Robinson announces the 3rd annual membership show of the California's Horse Show Exhibition Association to be held on Saturday, June 29, at the Stanford Riding Academy (Red Barn).

There will be stake classes for hunters, jumpers, parade horses, hackneys, three and five gaited horses, fine harness, roadsters, walking horses, and Shetland ponies. Also, four childrens classes.

Judge will be Joe Biles of Beaverton, Oregon.

Admission is for free.

more certain way to cause an animal to refuse its food than to give it more than is wanted, and then leave the surplus in the manger from one feeding to the next. But there are other reasons why a horse may refuse to eat too. One of the causes may be from to much riding all at one time, when it's not used to it. Then it could be because of a soreness about the mouth, or a disease of the teeth. There is always a reason, but don't pass up that reason to lightly, it may cost you your horse.

When buying hay, buy one bale and try it. Then if your horse cleans all of the hay up that you fed it, then the hay is o.k. Some people buy a lot of hay at one time for \$25 or \$30 a ton and try to say they got good hay, but is it good. If the horse eats it all, then it is good hay. But if the horse just eats the heads and leave the rest, it's not so good, why, because they are paying two times as much for the stuff, and half of the hay is wasted. It's better to pay a little more and get the best, then try and save a dollar or two on a lot of wasted feed. Money is getting to hard to come by these days, to spend for poor hay. Buy only the best. You'll save in the long run.

Toot's

Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting, May 28, will feature Professor C. E. Howell, professor of Animal Husbandry, University of California, Davis, Calif.

Program Chairman Irma Goldsmith called a few days ago to give this information, but in between assorted jobs, and waiting on customers, I confess I didn't get a clear picture of the subject of his talk.

However, Professor Howell is recognized as an outstanding authority on the horse, and we can improve our education by hearing just about anything he chooses to say on the subject!

Professor Howell is in wide demand, and is showing our SMCHA the courtesy of giving his time, and traveling many miles to give us the benefiit of his knowledge and experience.

So, program chairman Irma has tentatively arranged a "no host" dinner party for the professor at the Pioneer Hotel in Woodside. The date? just before the mining, May 28, at 6 p.m. Anyone interested in attending this dinner party, contact our President Barbara.

Coming Events

May 24-25—Arabian Horse Show, Anti-och.

May 25—Spring Horse Show, Mounted Patrol of S.M. County, Woodside.

May 28-Meeting, SMCHA.

May 30—Horse Show, Mayfair Riders, San Jose.

June 1—Horse Show, Santa Clara Co. HA, San Jose, Clubhouse.

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June 7—Horse Show, Woodside Auxiliary Childrens Society, MP grounds, Woodside.

June 14-15—Horse Show, SMCHA, Woodside.

June 22—Horse Show, Los Gatos Lions Club, Los Gatos.

June 25—SMCHA Meeting.

June 28-29-FEI Event, Pebble Beach.

June 29—Membership Show, CHSE Assn. Stanford (Red Barn).

June 29—(Revised date) Junior Rodeo, Jack Glass Ranch, La Honda.

July 4—Rodeo and Parade, Redwood City.July 11-12—Tagalong Trail Ride.

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