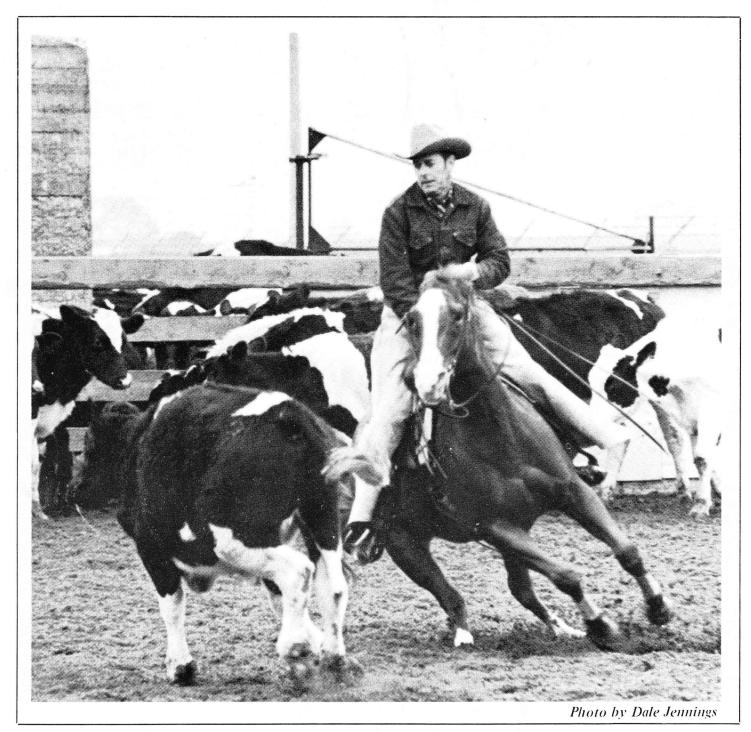
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Elsewhere on these pages is Historian Irma Goldsmith's brief history of The San Mateo Horseman. The names of editors past may evoke memories from some of our older members. But we hope it will remind all our members that our new editor, Lynda Walker, will need your contributions--photos, news items, letters, criticism, articles--in order to continue with a bi-monthly publication that will tell us what members are doing, what the association has planned and what is going on in the horse world generally.

If you have something to tell us, don't worry about your grammar, spelling or syntax. That's what editors are for. It's the information that's important. If it is something very brief, a phone call to Lynda will do. 851-8709

As we begin a new year of activities I am reminded of Hap Harper's comments at this time last year. His central theme was planning for the continuation and further development of equestrian trails. I think we should continue with that objective in mind this year and we should remember to use the word "equestrian" to identify the kind of trails we are talking about when we discuss them. There are other groups moving into the trail picture now--hikers, bicyclists, motorcyclists--who are lobbying heavily for large slices of the trail pie. These trail systems are those

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Talk about a man who knows horses.....Meet your new President Phil Ray, a very accomplished horse trainer and rider as you can see. Phil has authored many fine articles for this magazine, and has an outstanding program for this year. (See President's Message) Welcome aboard Phil!!!!

which have been traditionally used and maintained by horsemen. Let us remember to make it very clear to others that when we talk about trails we mean trails for horses and riders.

Other recreational groups are, of course, entitled to their share of the public domain just as we horsemen are. But we should not be allowed to lose entirely something we have devoped, protected and maintained over the years when no one else wanted it. Open space is becoming a more precious commodity day by day. We lost Jasper Ridge because we failed to make ourselves adequately heard and because we failed to educate others to the fact that horemen are, by and large, a responsible group which appreciates more than most the therapeutic benefits of open space and the fragility of a rapidlychanging ecology.

One way to make ourselves heard and to strengthen our position is to increase our membership. Not that "big" is necessarily good or that "more" is necessarily better; but the most effective organizations do strive for growth and constantly recruit new members into the ranks. There is strength in numbers. New members will add creativity and new ideas. Our membership has hovered around 1,000 for at least the past six years. There has been no appreciable growth. It is time all of us started to think seriously about encouraging our friends and other horsemen we meet to join us and add to our strength (let's push for 1500) so we may continue to try to improve the lot of a deserving minority groupthe practicing horsemen.

If all this sounds a bit heavy for an opening statement, take heart, fellow horsemen, we have not forgotten the fun part:

Les Beale has come out of retirement and will ride point on the great excursions he and his enthusiastic group are planning for the year.

Peter and Barbara Primiani are bursting with new ideas for monthly programs. Cheryl Kreuzer and her horse show committee will continue with veil-planned, well-managed shows.

That hard-working duo, John Buchan and Leon Forbes, will again host the highly popular western horsemanship clinics.

Gloria Scheid's Color Guard will continue to thrill parade watchers everywhere for the greater glory of SMCHA.

And the intrpid Harold Zweirlein and his fearless followers have some fantastic plans for developing junior riders into future rodeo greats. Their skill and courage will be given the ultimate test at our Junior Rodeo on July Fourth.

Phil

Los Viajeros Rides

The Los Viajeros Riding Club at its annual meeting reelected Don Altieri as President for 1977. Serving with him as fellow officers will be Doug Moody, First V P, Ron Haddix, Second V P, Leta Barber, Sgt-at-Arms and Gail Sagar, Secretary. Rob Krensky, Lewis Reed, Jim Barber, Kitty Haddix, Rosemary Allen, Cal Hinton and Dona Haverty will serve as Board members. The Los Viajeros, the oldest riding club in California, sponsors an ambitious ride program each year with a ride

FLASH:

Mr. Herman Koopmans will be giving a class on "Training the Horse" Feb. 17th at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall, Portola Valley. Call Mrs. Bialek, Springdown Farm, 851-1114 for further info.

every month. Membership is earned by participation and completion of a 4 day ride held each year in June. The Calendar of Events lists their program for this year. Guests are welcome on their rides if invited by a member who must accompany the guest.

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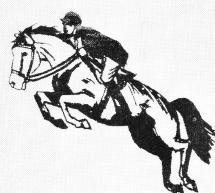
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Lawson, Registrar; Andrea Lovlein, Sec., John Buchan, 2nd Vice Pres; Phil Ray, Pres. (See Story Pg.7.)

Letter From The Editor

Dear SMCHA Members:

Last October the magazine committee met at the home of Hugh Bryson, SMCHA Board member, to decide the fate of our San Mateo Horseman magazine. our past editor of 5 years, Merilyn Blake had spent her final reserve of energy putting to rest the last October November '76 issue of this magazine, to retire as chairman.

Merilyn did a Herculean job of gathering material, Ghost writing almost every article, contacting advertisers, editing, pasting, cutting, an unending list of responsibilities, and she did them so well that no one was willing to fill her shoes and take over this responsibility.

The committee discussed several alternatives including publishing

our news in the Woodside "Country Almanac", a weekly newspaper; a monthly printing in "Marin Horse News", and even the possibility of a small section of the "Quarter Horse Journal" with subscriptions included with SMCHA membership; but all these alternatives netted the same grissly result: greater expense (Which in one case would have doubled membership dues), and a loss of the personal touch which Merilyn and all the former Editors have worked so hard to create in past issues which we've all grown to enjoy.

Having very little tolerance to the ensueing silence that filled the room when the subject of "Who will take on the gargantuan job", I just slightly opened my mouth and before I knew what happened....POW....I was the editor. It was something like buying a horse at an auction when you were only swatting at flies.

Well friends...I have little, if any

writing ability and absolutely no journalistic experience. Our past issues have been so terrific that you are going to be like the King waiting for his next gourmet feast and the pot scrubber is now cooking—surprise!!!!!!

Sounds grim, but alas with a membership of almost 1000, there should be many of you out there who can contribute articles. Big or small, anything (almost) will be printed. I am desperate for help, advice, and articles. The only way we can keep this great magazine going is with your help. This year we're doing 6 issues instead of the usual 5, so we need help more than ever.

If you have anything, please call me evenings or weekends. Absolute magazine deadlines are February 14, April 11, June 13, August 15, and October 10. My phone 851-8709 or 851-8266 is just waiting for your ring. Hope to hear from you soon!

Lynda

Winter Feeding & Care of Horses

by James L. 'Naviaux, D.V.M.

The proper feeding and maintenance of horses and other equidae in the winter requires a thorough understanding of special conditions that occur during that time of the year. These conditions markedly affect the overall well-being of horses and thus the necessary husbandry procedure should be instituted in order to meet their special needs and keep them in a good state of health. These factors are:

- 1. During cold weather, a horse's maintenance requirements are increased in order to maintain normal body heat.
- 2. External parasites (ticks and lice) reach their peak annual population level and thus inflict heavy stress on such parasitized animals, causing marked blood loss, weakness, lowered resistance and debility.
- 3. Winter pastures of old dry grass stubble and or early grass have little if any nutritional value. As pasture grasses mature and dry up they lose almost all protein and vitamin value. They only represent a source of carbohydrates—similar to a straight potato diet for us. Horses unlike cattle which have an active bacterial "vat" (the rumen) in which poor-quality feed can be made into good-quality feed must receive a continual supply of good feed in order to meet their normal maintenance requirements. Early winter grasses are mostly water and must mature more to develop "strength." In northern California our pastures are markedly deficient in basic nutrients to meet the needs of horses from about the middle of August to the middle of February. If horses are turned out on such pastures they are literally on a starvation diet. Large amounts of the dry stubble will at least allow many horses to maintain their body weight but such animals will be in a malnutritious state. Horses should definitely be supplemented (fed as if in a corral) during the winter and

such excuses as "they are range animals" to rationalize their not being fed are not acceptable. Horse owners who "turn them out for the winter" are truly abandoning their responsibilities to propertly care for their animals and should be subject to laws prohibiting the inhumane treatment of animals. Though it is true that many animals in the wild must survive under these conditions, this does not justify man's inflicting this situation on his domestic animals.

4. Old horses, especially with bad teeth, need to have special diets of easily digested feed all year long. Such animals are those especially noted to "fall off" in flesh when forced out on winter pastures with these as their only source of nutrition.



- 5. Pregnant mares even more so than other horses need to be properly fed with a balanced ration and vitamin supplement in order to ensure the delivery of a healthy, well-developed foal.
- 6. Horses feet continue to grow throughout the winter as they do throughout the rest of the year and they still need routine careneeding to be trimmed at least every 8 weeks, and some as often as every 6 weeks. Even if a horse's shoes are pulled and left off for the winter, routine trimming of the feet is still necessary to prevent hooves from splitting, deep thrush, and strained tendons. Horses that are forced to stand in deep mud for long periods of time (often weeks) are very susceptible to thrush, a thin and scurfy condition of the heels ("dish pan hands" and to mud fever

an infective dermatitis of the skin of the lower legs. These latter conditions should be prevented by providing all horses with some area that is well drained or out of the mud where they can stand and allow their feet to dry out.

If a horse must be kept in a pasture or corral area with no shelter, then a large are a (allowing at least an area of 15 x 15 ft. for each horse) or platform should be constructed for this purpose. Such a platform can be made by framing the selected area with outer 4 x 4 in boards and inner bracing with 2 x 4 in. and filling it in with river rock or road base. Allow plenty of space between feeding areas for the horses to prevent fighting and injuries.

- 7. A shelter of some kind is strongly recommended for horses, especially in the winter. Though a closed-in stable or barn is desirable even a three-sided shelter can offer comfort from the wind and weather. Despite the fact that many horses can survive out in the elements this does not negate the value of providing a shelter for our horses. Such a facility should have a minimum space of 10 x 10 ft.and preferably 12 x 12 ft. A barn or stable can be a necessity for horses during times of illness or recovery from an injury. Heat lamps and or blankets also can offer much comfort to horses during the winter. Always clean the stable daily and keep it well bedded.
- 8. Shivering is nature's way to physiologically stimulate circulation to help increase body temperature. The most common cause is chilling which has resulted from exposure in cold rains and cold weather. Shivering also can result as a secondary symptom of shock or pain.

If cold weather is the cause it is desirable to bring the animal into a barn or shelter rub him dry, blanket him and fix him a hot bran mash. If the animal is in good health and no

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shelter is available a hot bran mash alone will help to warm him up. A grain ration of one-quarter cracked corn will also be helpful to the horse in cold weather.

If shivering is secondary to shock or pain, the medical cause should be treated by a veterinarian but blanketing and the offering of a hot bran mash are safe procedures. The bran mash should never be force fed.

9. Horses are more susceptible to respiratory infections and the effects of parasites—external and internal. Giving horses proper care during these months in imperative in order to maintain them in good health.

As can be seen from the discussion of the special conditions that occur during the winter, horses should have very close attention given to them and their needs so that they can be kept and enjoyed in good health all year long.

Useful Home Remedies

- 1. Aspirin (10 tablets per 1000 lb. twice daily) for any inflammation.
- 2. Antihistamine e.g. Dristan (10 tablets per 1000 lab. twice daily) for: (a) any allergic reaction such as bee stings, feed allergies, early laminitis and (b) decongestant in respiratory infections.
- 3. Hot bran mashes for (a) early mild colics: (b) constipation and (c) warming up a horse on a cold night.

- 4. Tincture of green soap with or without a follow-up with an insecticide bath for many nonspecific skin conditions.
- 5. Boric acid solution (2 level tbls. in 8 oz. water) and or antibiotic eye ointments for eye irritation.
- 6. Noxzema applied lightly around wounds as a fly repellent.
- 7. Mud to keep feet soft in summer. Allow water trough to overflow. Also equal parts of lanolin, pine tar, and neat-foot oil or linseed oil wrks well as a hoof dressing. The dressing can be made less viscous by adding more of the oil used.
- 8. Kopertox is very good for thrush. Clorox and iodine also work but have shorter action. Turpentine is not recommended for thrush!!!

When to Call a Veterinarian

- 1. The horse completely refuses to eat.
- 2. The horse shows marked depression.
- 3. There is an excessive thick nasal discharge or any abnormal discharge.
- 4. The horse has frequent deep explosive coughing and or a chronic cough.
- 5. The body temperature is over 103. The temperature can be taken with any human rectal thermometer.
- 6. There is evidence of colic, such as the animal getting up and down, rolling, kicking and or biting at the flank, and sweating.
- 7. There is marked lameness (limping) or a mild lameness that persists overa week's time.



- 8. Frequent abnormal or unusual behavior is observed.
- 9. For the treatment of severe wounds.
- 10. For routine care procedures such as parasite control, dental care, vaccinations, advice on nutrition, breeding problems and general horse husbandry concerns.

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SMCHA 36th Installation Banquet - Ball



Retiring prexy Hap Harper (right) smiles with relief as he passes the symbol of office to a thoughtful Phil Ray. Photo by Dale Jennings.

This year's installation dinner was held on Saturday, January 22nd at the San Mateo Elks Club, and if you weren't on hand, you missed one of the greatest! Dinner was sumptuous, music delightful, and was well attended by horse loving, fun loving SMCHA members and friends.

Art Coladarci was honorable M.C. and brought down the house with his witty comments and stories. The newly installed officers wore gorgeous gowns and tuxes of pumpkin colored cloth, as regal as one can imaging.

One of the highlights of the evening was the awards to the Distinguished Horseman and Horsewoman of the year and The Outstanding Contributer of the year. For all who were not able to attend I would like to share the context of these awards. I even saw a tear of joy in Pat Grady's eye.

This Distinguished Horseman's Award goes to a lady who has suffered long and hard in silence—well, semi-silence. She has done a fabulous job for the Horsemen and will be a hard act to follow. She was

born in Berkeley in 19?????? and subsequently, spent her childhood in Berkeley, Portola Valley and at the family ranch in Coalinga. She started riding Western at their place in Portala Valley at the age of 10.

She attended the University of California at Berkeley where she graduated with a degree in Journalism. She and her handsome husband were married after World War II in Portola Valley. They, then, spent nine years at U.C. Davis and Coalinga. In 1954, they moved to Boulder, Colorado, where her husband was a Professor at University of Colorado and, also, where our Distinguished Horsewoman started to ride English. In 1964, they returned to the bay area to live in Portola Valley. They have been active in the Hunt, Mounted Patrol, and SMCHA, all related fields of horse involvement—are avid supporters and participators.

She has been Editor of the magazine from 1971-1976, serves on the SMCHA Board of Directors, and has assisted on and shown in many horse shows. Has two girls and a boy and has been a grandmother

three times...

A most deserving person and a real asset to the organization...

MERILYN BLAKE

This Distinguished Horseman's Award goes to a man who is very deserving in many ways. He is always the first one to applaud everyone else and is reticient to take any credit himself. He was born in Oakland and spent his mischievious childhood in San Mateo County, attending San Mateo High for a short time, and then, went to the service during the Korean War, serving in the army.

He met his wife at a roller skating rink where he was interested in speed skating—his wife and sister were busy with dance-figure skating. Their fathers had been friends for quite a while and used to ride together, so both families knew each other very well. He has been married to his lovely wife for 22 years and has three boys that are also active and keep him busy trying to keep up with them.

He has been President of the San Mateo County Horseman Association, one of the most popular and active. President and District Zone Chairman of the Lion's Club, also, President of the Water Wagon Committee. This man has never done anything just for the recognition, but he truly is an interested and generous person and it is our pleasure to present this years Distinguished Horseman's Award to....

PAT GRADY

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Our Outstanding Contributors Award for the Horsemans Association this year goes to a person who has been a member for a long time, and who has acted on our behalf in many facets of the group.

He was born in San Francisco, attended Portola School on San Bruno Avenue, on to Mission High, then night school at Humbolt and then majored in engineering and Business at Healds Business College.



Distinguished Horsewoman of the year Merilyn Blake and Art Coladarci share a happy surprise.



Hap Harper (right) enjoys a 'water-wagon' joke with Distinguished Horseman Pat Grady.

Peninsula General Contractors, plus working as grounds chairman for the Mounted Patrol, auditor and a member of the Finance Committee for SMCHA, active on the Trails Committee and one of the organizers of the Colagasalucchienze Ride AND an all-around good guy,—and he can cook, too.

It is our pleasure to give this special award to a special man—

RICH DEL UCCHI

Photos by Dale Jennings

He met his very attractive wife through a friend while visiting a summer resort and has been married for 42 years...who says that summer romances don't last????? They have three daughters and eight grandchildren. He lived in Redwood City from 1941 and then in Woodside in 1952 and has been active in the horse world for about 30 years.

He is a Past-Captain of the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County, Past-President of the San Mateo County Horsemans Association, President for two years of the Reno-Sierra Riding Group, Past-President of the



Rich Delucchi richly deserves the recognition awarded to him by fellow horseman Art Coladarci.



Ever Wonder How All the good rides are planned? Here's the ride committee hard at work (left to right) Lew Reed, Cliff Walker, Noel Rhuberg, Rob Krensky, Bob Hopper, Lynda Walker, Chris Hunner, Hugh Bryson, Les Beale-Chairman & Phil Ray-SMCHA President. Taking the photo & also there-Gary Sinclair. Thanks Gary!

Report on Wunderlich

Nearly 300 people showed up for the January 13th hearing in Woodside. Horsemen and hikers agreed that they could get along together in Wunderlich Park—but they were definitely opposed to tolerating motorcycles as well. It was repeatedly stated that the park should be preserved in the most natural state.

No action was taken. The commission will hold another hearing—the third on the park master plan—on Jan. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at a location in the north county to be announced later.

The hearings are part of master plan studies which will be completed by March. In mid-June, following additional public hearings, the master plan will be presented to the county Board of Supervisors for consideration.

The 30 speakers included horsemen who were anxious to preserve riding trails up and down the 942 acres of wooded, mountainous country near Woodside; hikers who like to trudge through

the woods—and motorcyclists who wanted a piece of the action.

Isobel Sewell of Menlo Park, representing "one hiker here tongiht," expressed confidence that "hikers and horsemen can get along together."

"Please keep room for us and keep a place where we can walk through the leaves and not over ground cut up by horse hoofs and dusty in the summer," she pleaded.

Carol Fisch of Woodside, a horsewoman, said she would hate to face 1,000 people leaving the proposed park headquarters area new Woodside Road along the only trails leading to the interior of the park. She proposed a primary access to the park for hikers from Skyline Boulevard, instead—"the prettiest area of the park"—leaving the lower portion for horsemen.

Among the speakers was Mayor Robert Burgess of Woodside, who said the town council and Woodside citizens want a park with minimum development and with limited capacity, not overcrowded with visitors.

HORSE CROWD HAPPENINGS

Lots of new horses have new homes and owners and getting ready for the upcoming show season...the EUGENE MARIANIS have acquired a grey gelding named "QUIET WAY" and we expect to see SHIRLEY on the jump course real soon. Also, the HILLARDS have a beautiful BIG gelding for MARGIE named GOLD COAST...both at Charter Oak Stables. The HAAKES have bought two new horses, and the VELLAS have gotten a new horse for their dughter, SUSIE. Both are at Willow Tree Farm.

JANE COLADARCI is back on the job working hard after a brief vacation...if you can call Surgery a vacation???? She's good as new, if not better.

CONNIE HUMPHRIES and PAT SCHNIER are busy with their new hobbies...learning to drive ponies and carts. They are having a ball and are such apt students that they will probably be in the show ring before long.

MERV AND RUTH KIPNIS sold their good broodmare "NEWPORT BAY" at the Hollywood Park Winter Mixed Sale CTBA. The lucky mare will raise foals in CHINO. Incidentally, one broodmare in the sale went for \$110,000.00. Who says there isn't much money in raising good horses or is it, who says there isn't good money in raising many horses???? Me, I guess, since I have neither.

MARGARET REESE will be taking off the third of February for the Long Beach World Championship-Open to watch her gelding, BAR ETCH compete against ap(Cont. pg. 15)

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Junior President's Message

Happy New Year everyone!

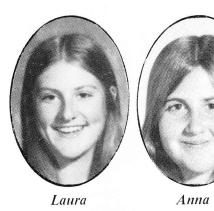
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kathy for a successful 1976 program for the juniors. We will be trying to make the 1977 season even better, with the full co-operation of our members. The officers and I are planning a program which will include, "Trail rides", Playdays, Back-Alley shows, and at least one overnight ride.

Since the juniors have taken over the tack sale for this year, I want all members to check through their barns, tack rooms, etc., for unused items. Any items you wish to donate please bring to my home at 155 Arbor Court. Let's make this a really profitable sale by asking neighbors and friends for their unused tack.

If there are any of the members who have other ideas for making this an exciting year, please call me at 851-2422.

Junior President Terri Varni





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JUNIOR GRAND NATIONAL HORSE SHOW APRIL 7-13 COW PALACE

More than 700 young horsemen and women from throughout the western states and Canada will compete in the 31st annual Junior Grand National, set for April 7-13 (except April 10, which is Easter Sunday) at the San Francisco Cow Palace.

The Junior Grand National, open to young people 17 and under is the

largest junior horse show on the Pacific Coast, and one of themost prestigious in the country. The livestock portion of the Junior Grand National is set for April 1-5, and the junior rodeo April 2-3.

Ninety-six different classes are scheduled in the Western and English divisions. This year, separate classes have been set for specific age groups. There will be classes for young people age eleven and under as well as for each year therafter, so that youngsters will compete only against riders his own age.

Wester competition is scheduled at the Cow Palace, April 7,8, and 9, while English events are set for April 11, 12, 13.

Classes for the western division include stock seat, stock horses, trail horses, and western pleasure.

English events include classes for hunter seat, working hunters, hunters under saddle, hunt seat equitation and jumpers. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded in each

Allen Ross of Santa Barbara will again direct the junior show. Ross also manages the senior Grand National in the fall.

Horseman and women, 17 and under wishing to enter should contact the Horse Show Office, Cow Palace, P.O. Box 34206, San Francisco 94134, (415)584-2480. Entry deadline is March 18.

Horse Course

Roy Markegard of Half Moon Bay will give a 6-session course on "Understanding Horses and Riding" at College of San Mateo beginning March 10. The Thursday evening sessions will be from 7-10 PM and will additionally include a field trip to Markegard's stable on Saturday morning, April 16.

The course is described as essentially a theory course with demonstrations of training methods and equipment. Participants will investigate the conformation of horses and riders and the correlation of these as they effect individuals. The course will include equine conformation studies and the relationship of form to function.

Roy is a long-time member of SMCHA and is well-known in northern California as a trainer of stock horses and other types of western riding horses. His course will be of interest to beginners as well as more experienced riders. Roy has been an instructor at the SMCHA Western Riding Clinics. His classroom course should be worthwhile primer for anyone intending to participate in the clinics which will begin at the Mounted Patrol grounds this year on June 23.

News from Fremont Hills Stables

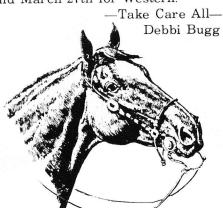
Hope everyone had a fun new year, I'm sure it will be a great year for all of us.

We have been keeping busy breaking colts over the Winter, sending most of them on to the racetrack.

We are now starting to get the show horses back in shape for the 77 season. Their long deserved vacation is now up.

If any of you need to get your horse back in shape, we are planning two schooling shows.

Come see us on February 29th for English and February 27th for Western. Or March 20th for English and March 27th for Western.



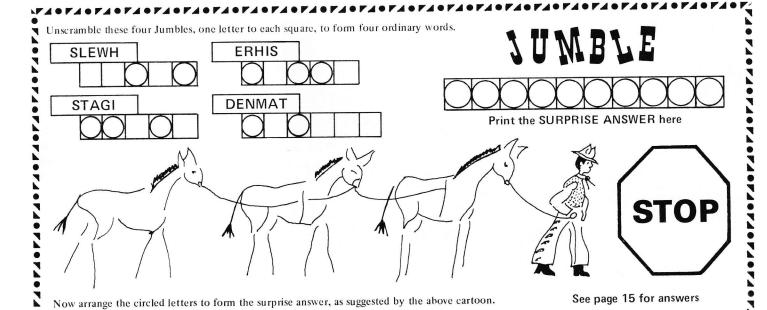
The Horse's Mouth

Hi there! SMCHA is trying something new—a "you ask the questions and we'll try to find an answer." Kind of a democratic equine—Ann Landers approach to horsedom! Should be fun and informative so please write SMCHA Magazine, "The Horse's Mouth" P.O. Box 4092, Woodside, Ca. 94062. My job is to ask the trainers, vets, etc. and check the books and try to bring an answer back to you!

What could you ask? Anything to do with a horse-health questions, training questions, stable-care, how-to-do something, shoeing. We'll try our best to answer.

So, please fill out the form below and send it to SMCHA Magazine!

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A first for the President's Ride

On Sunday, September 26th, an exciting new version of the PRESIDENT'S RIDE took place. For the first time, horse drawn wagons were part of the scene, along with the usual turn-out of riders. The horses and wagons got along well with the apprehensive riders and the event turned out to be a real fun event. PHIL RAY, our new President, plans the same type of ride this year--so prepare for something new that has been started.



That aint no way to treat a president



Modern Hay Ride



"What a way to spend a Sunday"

Several people who heard about the ride are out getting the necessary items, carts, ponies, wagons, horses, cushions and etc. and are planning for the 1977 ride already. It will be a lot of fun and this way even non-riders will be able to be included.

The ride started from Charter Oak Stables and proceeded down Canada Road to the Edgewood Gate (Next year, we hope to change this and have the necessary keys so that the ride can use the horse trail on the West Side of 280) At that point we entered the Filoli property and went way back into the beautiful picnic area. Some of us got lost, inspite of the road,... made a wrong turn, but found the group in time for lunch.

The way out seemed to be going fine until we discovered that someone (talk to that man next year) forgot about the horse-drawn vehicles and locked the gates. About the time the gate was dismantled, the keys arrived but inspite of those problems, we all had a great time. A lot of interest was aroused and next years ride should be a great success. Plan now to be there. I'm not sure, but Hap may just "jog" along.

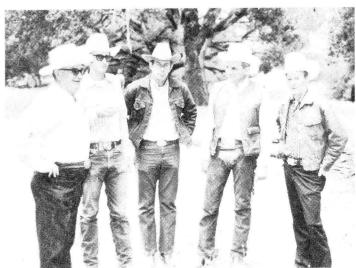
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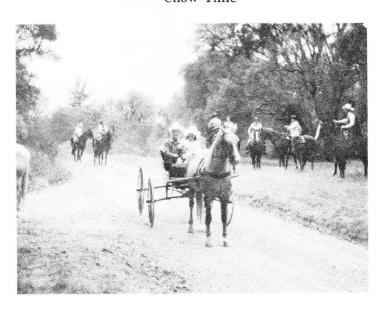






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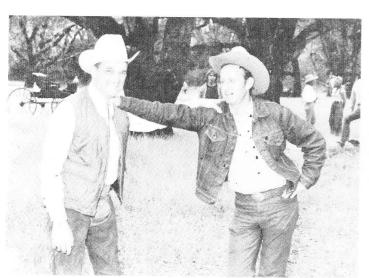


Is there a doctor on the ride? Yes, two. Dr. Geo. Welepp, Dr. Rosemary Weilepp, Steve, Ann

1976 Presidents Ride — Photos by Gary Sinclair



Signing up new members is Ann Lawson. New members: Chris Fisher and Christine Hummer.





Ray and Barb Erickson, Ann Lawson, Jean Rall, Margaret and Ray Barbera





Modern-style Chuck Wagon



HORSECROWD HAPPENINGS Cont. from pg. 9

proximately thirty other horses. It will be a three day event with four catagories, Cutting, Dry Work, Herd, and Roping. Good luck to you both...frankly, I think MARGARET will be working harder than BAR ETCH and his rider-trainer, BENNY GUITRON.

ROSS AND RUTH MEREDITH took off for a few days up the coast for a much needed rest. He didn't go to the barn for two whole days...but he had withdrawal symptoms and RUTH had a ball...They should do that more often...congratulations!!!!

PAT HOLMES and POLLY SWINERTON went to the AHSA Convention in Houston, Texas and inspite of the weather and POLLY being ill most of the time, they did attend most meetings and enjoyed it. PAT, not being used to the traffic lights in Texas, almost got run-over and finally had to ask a little old lady to help her across the street. I know Woodside is rural, but, really, PAT, we DO have traffic lights downtown.

It was great seeing LAURA AND ED HANSEN here from their new home in the ISLANDS. They attended the SMCHA Installation and plan to stay for a short visit. Incidentally, just one thing about the installation, I really think it was the first time PAT GRADY was speechless....but gorgeous, looked like Clark Gable, so I've been told (by Pat)...Meantime, Tally-Ho.

Welcome to two additions to "CIRCLE HB ARABIANS", HUGH BRYSON'S stable. The first four legged friend is a handsome quarter horse called "SHADY OAK BAR", an almost 3 year old son of OAK BAR. "THE KID", as his new owner COLLEEN WALKER has been heard calling him, is just about the most willing horse ever



seen for his age. Congratulation's COLLEEN...good luck in the show ring at Jr. Grand National! The second addition is a knock-out! HUGH BRYSON'S own private steed, a steel grey grandson of SERAFIX. Yep, another Arabian, and would you believe this guy (who will incidentally be ridden endruance) has a pronouncable, readable name, get this..."EASY RIDER"! Now how about that for an Arab? It has been heard that **HUGH** already has his entry blank in for the 1977 Tevis Cup race...See you in Auburn HB!

Also heard that LETA AND JIM BARBER are riding two beautiful high tailed Arabians, one a grandson of the infamous "FADJUR" knowns as "FADDIE" and the other also a grandson of "SERAFIX" called "GAYLIX". CLEM CARROLL, former editor of this mag, is another owner of a relatively new Arab Steed, "JUBA". Looks like Woodside has decided to save the Arab oil and instead ride their horses. They'll all be "high tailing it" down the trail!!!

More news next month, Sequoia Hospital isn't really the best place to get the local gossip, so what I don't know, I make up...Okay???

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On Friday evening, March 25, 1977, Dr. G. Marvin Beeman of Littleton, Colorado will be giving an illustrated slide lecture in Walnut Creek and we urge your members to attend. He will be speaking on "Conformation-Its Relation to Function and Soundness." Dr. Beeman has the ability to take a complex topic and make it understandable and the information usable by both novice and experienced horseman. He has some interesting thoughts to help you understand "why" and "how" your horse performs now and can be expected to perform in the future. Dr. Beeman has been a guest speaker at the California Livestock Symposium in Fresno for the past two years and anyone who heard him there will probably be glad for the chance to hear him again. And anyone who missed him at the Symposium will, we hope, welcome the opportunity to hear him.

The program will be held at Del Valle High School, 1963 Tice Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek at 8 p.m. on Friday March 25th and tickets are \$3.50 each. Because space is limited, we would like to encourage people to order their tickets by mail. (However, tickets will be on sale at the door also, as space allows.) To order by mail, just send a check, payable to Region 5 CSHA, to W. N. Sims, 785 El Pintado Rd., Danville, Calif. 94526 and your tickets will be mailed to you promptly.

Because Dr. Beeman is such an outstanding speaker and has such a vast knowledge to share with us, the Region 5 sponsors of the program want to alert as many horse owners as possible to the lecture. We do hope that some of your members will be able to attend.

will be able to attend.

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Ladies Day at the Shack

Shack Riders and their Ladies celebrated the occasion October 24. Chairman for the event was Dr. J. Ward Smith who also presided at the barbecue pit.

A three piece combo composed of Pete Towne, Taylor Phillsbury, and Clay Landrom kept the day rolling. Pete did his usual fine job at the piano—this one bing donated to the Sahck by Ben Cassinerio, Sr.

Pete was the fifth President of S.M.C.H.A. in 1946. The General Meetings were held in San Carlos at a Lodge Hall opposite the Fire House. Board of Directors Meetings were at the Sequoia Hotel in Redwood City. it was the first year for an Association Play Day. Huddart Park had recently been acquired by the County and a flat area just inside the gate provided the site. The Gate to Huddart Park then was at the end of Greer Road in Woodside.

....But back to the Shack. It was originally a very primitive structure, started by Robert S. Odell in the early 1930's. Odell was then second President of the Menlo Circus Club. He also was owner and operator of the Clift Hotel in San Francisco and began to arrange brunches and barbecues for riders. He needed a place to store the equipment and supplies. However, with business interests taking Mr. Odell away from the community and the outbreak of World War II, the Shack for several years was visited only occasionally. It was not until the early 1950's that Dr. Tom Schulte of Woodside took charge of the Shack Riders and started organizing the group as it is today....M. Barbara

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	23	WED	GENERAL MEETING
	27	SUN	FREMONT HILLS WESTERN SCHOOLING SHOW
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	6	SUN	LOS VIAJEROS G. G. PARK RIDE
	9	WED	
	20		BOARD MEETING
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		SUN	FREMONT HILLS WESTERN SCHOOLING SHOW
	30	WED	GENERAL MEETING
	APRIL		
	2-3	SAT-SUN	P A QUARTER HORSE RANCH ENGLISH /WESTERN SHOWS
	3	SUN	LOS VIAJEROS ALAMADEN PARK RIDE
	7-9	THURS-SAT	JUNIOR GRAND NATIONAL (ENGLISH)
	11-13	MON-WED	JUNIOR GRAND NATIONAL (WESTERN)
	13	WED	BOARD MEETING
	23-24	SAT-SUN	MOUNTED PATROL MENS OVERNIGHT RIDE
	24	SUN	S M C H A SPRING RIDEWATERSHED
	27	WED	GENERAL MEETING
	30	SAT	WEBB RANCH ALL ENGLISH SCHOOLING SHOW
	30	SAT-SUN	LOS VIAJEROS MEMORIAL PARK OVERNIGHT RIDE
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	1	SUN	DAY IN THE COUNTRY-STANFORD STABLE ENGLISH
			AND HUNT SHOW
	6-8	FRI-SUN	CDS PENINSULA CHAPTER SPRING SHOW-STANFORD
	6-8	FRI-SUN	USET TRIALSCIRCUS CLUB
	7-8	SAT SUN	P A QUARTER HORSE RANCH ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW
	11	WED	BOARD MEETING
	12	THURS	NIGHT AT THE RACES-BAY MEADOWS
	13-15	FRI-SUN	MENLO CIRCUS CLUB SHOW
	14-15	SAT-SUN	MOUNTED PATROL ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW
	21-22	SAT-SUN	FREMONT HILLS ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW
-	22	SUN	S M C H A POINT-TO-POINT RIDE
E.	22	SUN	LOS ALTOS HUNT SCHOOLING SHOW
	25	WED	GENERAL MEETING
	26-30	THURS-MON	
	29	SUN	GOLDEN STATE HORSE SHOW (SANTA ROSA)
	30		WEBB RANCH ANNUAL ALL ENGLISH SHOW
	JUNE	MON	S M C H A /MP ANNUAL ENGLISH SHOW
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	5	SUN	LOS VIAJEROS ANNO NUEVO
	8	WED	BOARD MEETING
	14-19	TUES-SUN	FRESNO HORSE TRIALS
	16-19	THURS-SUN	LOS VIAJEROS 4-DAY RIDEFLYING H PASO ROBLES
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	22	WED	S M C H A /MP MID-WEEK ENGLISH SCHOOLING SHOW
	23	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	26	SUN	S M C H A DISCOVERY RIDE
	29	WED	S M C H A/MP MID-WEEK WESTERN SCHOOLING SHOW
	29	WED	GENERAL MEETING
	30	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	JULY		
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	3	SUN	LOS VIAJEROS WOODSIDE RIDE
	4	MON	JUNIOR RODEO
	4	MON	REDWOOD CITY PARADE
	7	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	10	SUN	
	13	WED	S M C H A /MP PONY SHOW
	14	THURS	BOARD MEETING WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	16-17		WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	16-17	SAT-SUN	MOUNTED PATROL FATHER-DAUGHTER-SON RIDE
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The San Mateo Horseman

by Irma Goldsmith Historian

The San Mateo County Horseman's Association was founded in 1940. The association news was originally printed on pink paper and was circulated to members in the form of a newsletter which in time came to be known as "The Pink Shirt." At about this time the uniform of pink shirt and white tie was adopted

The early history of the association was kept only through scrap books and news clippings on an irregular basis with no reliable system for recording news of association activities. It was not until 1968 that the Board of Directors appointed a historian. The task originally fell to Daon Shand who published the association magazine in his Redwood City shop. Illness prevented him from continuing, however, and the present historian took over the job very soon after the original appointment.

President Phil Ray has asked for a list of those hard-working members who have edited our magazine over the years, thinking it would be appropriate to recount those names as we publish our first issue of The San Mateo Horseman under the editorship of Lynda Walker.

Hazel McDonald

Dottie Pomeroy

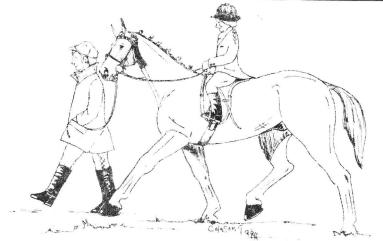
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21	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
	SUN	S M C H A RIDE FOR ALL SEASONS
27	WED	S M C H A /MP MID-WEEK WESTERN SCHOOLING SHOW
27	WED	GENERAL MEETING
28	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
30-31	SAT-SUN	P A QUARTER HORSE RANCH ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW
AUGUST		
4	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
6-7	SAT-SUN	FREMONT HILLS ENGLISH/WESTERN CSHA SHOW
7	SUN	LOS VIAJEROS FORT CRONKITE RIDE
10	WED	S M C H A / MP ENGLISH SCHOOLING SHOW
11	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
13-17	SAT-WED	CSHA WESTERN SHOW-SANTA ROSA
18	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
20-24	SAT-WED	CSHA ENGLISH SHOW-SANTA ROSA
25	THURS	WESTERN RIDING CLINIC
28	SUN	S M C HA SUMMER RIDE
SEPTEMBER		
1-5	THURS-MON	MOUNTED PATROL FALL RIDE
3	SAT	S M C H A /MP ANNUAL WESTERN SHOW
3-5	SAT MON	LOS VIAJEROS PT REYES RIDE
9-18	FRI-SUN	STATE FAIR
10	SAT	CIRCUS CLUB TALLY HO
11	SUN	S M C H A SENIOR PLAY DAY
14 17-18	WED SAT-SUN	BOARD MEETING
24-25		MOUNTED PATROL HUSBAND-WIFE OVERNITE RIDE
25	SAT-SUN	S M C H A /MP ALL AMATEUR SHOW
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1971-74:	Merilyn Blake
1975:	Nancy Kramer
1976:	Merilyn Blake

Late last year a committee of interested members met at the Woodside home of Hugh Bryson to consider a new method of publishing our magazine with more emphasis on member participation and greater use of member-owned equipment to cut down on the everincreasing publishing costs and to spread the work out over a greater portion of the membership so the entire responsibility would not continue to weigh heavily on one pair of shoulders.

Lynda Walker, an enthusiastic endurance rider (see last issue's cover), volunteered to head this committee of contributing editors. Our sincere thanks go to her and to Merilyn Blake (who, it seems, shares the editorial endurance record with one other editor) and all of those people who worked so hard over the years to bring our members news of the association and informative articles of interest to all horsemen.

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The absolute deadline for dues is March 31. Anyone whose dues have not been received by that date will have his card removed from our files and he will not be a bona fide member until that obligation is satisfied. Don't let this happen to you. We have a number of exciting events planned for this year and we wouldn't want any of our members to miss anything.

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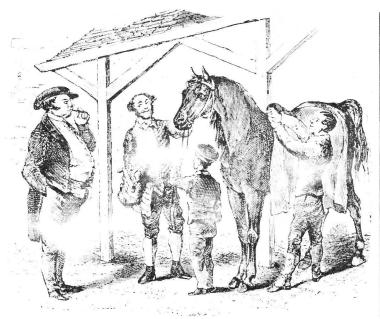
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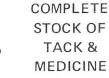
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