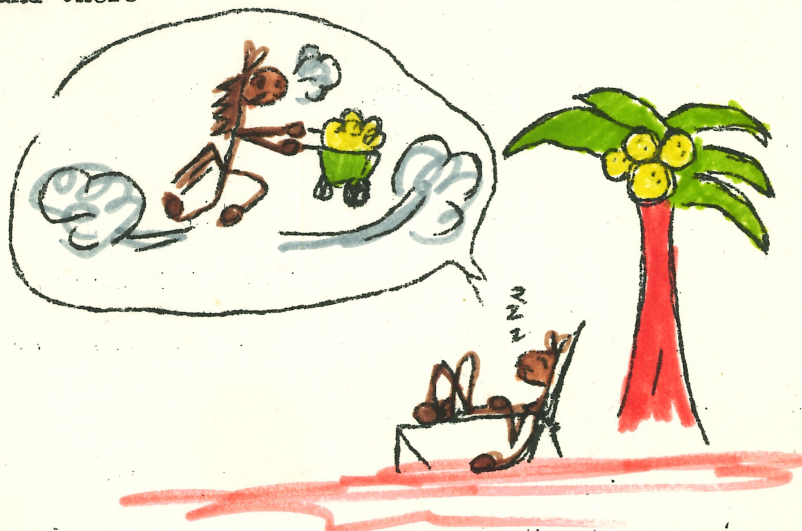


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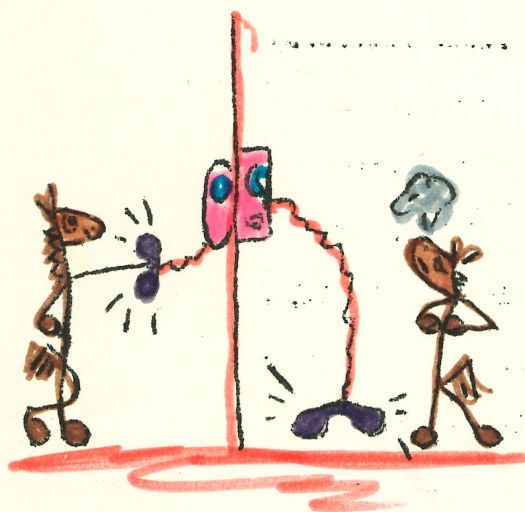
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Membership in every club is made up of four kinds of bones:

1. There are the WISH BONES who stand there wishing someone else would do the work.



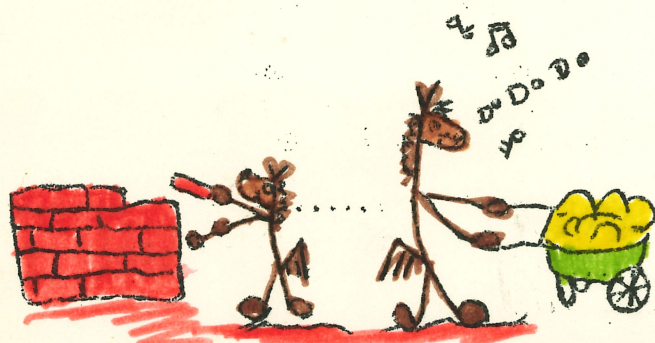
2. There are the JAW BONES who do all the talking but little else.



3. There are the KNUCKLE BONES who knock overthing anyone else tries to do.



4. Then thank goodness, there are the BACK BONES who get under the load and get the work done.



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January 1978

HAPPY NEW YEAR!.... I always like starting something new, sort of gives one a sense of adventure, and like everyone else I have many thoughts and plans to accomplish this year. Also, like everyone else, at the end of the year I shall look back and ask myself "What happened to all those things I was going to do?" Encouraging aren't I!! Such is the nature of the beast!!.....Whatever the case I am looking forward to this new year with Sunset. Now that the Constitution is all straightened out and new members are able to join again there should be lots of activities and people to make them work. One of the things that came out of the Constitution changes which I think has turned out to be a great idea is the "Sponsor" system. Under this system everyone who joins has the benefit of a friend in the crowd and hopefully that friend will encourage them to join in helping to eliminate the tendency to hold back as many people will.....

..... Ann Barclay and myself (Dorothy Jordan) started the new year off with a bang, having a saddle, bridle and blanket stolen from our barn. If you have never had anything stolen I can tell you it is a very frustrating thing. The R.C.M.P. assured us that the chances of recovering this equipment is almost nil, and that our best hopes would be through our efforts. Big Help!! You can bet everything is locked up now. For your information one would be wise to record in a safe place the serial numbers from saddles, etc. Neighbourhood Watch or the police station will supply engraving tools free of charge for the purpose of marking belongings. The police recommend notifying them of unfamiliar persons lurking about your premises. Our thief was definitely after tack as he/she by-passed a 10-speed bike which was far more accessible. Hope this wasn't an indication of how the year will go..... Here's a follow up on the Misty Morn story. Misty's past owner made Fred and Lynne an offer and after much thought they decided to let her go, so Misty started the New Year travelling up country to her new old home. (I never said my spelling would be perfect)..... Hey, I never got to see any of her tricks.....



Here's yet another horse story..... Some of you will remember my sister, Pat McQueen, who moved to Abbotsford a year ago, mumbling all the while because she was going to miss all the Sunset activities. Anyway, Christmas morning her husband Jim handed her a gift-wrapped box which when opened produced a stuffed frog (this is not a P of Q joke). Big Deal, you say! Me too, except that clutched in the frog's little

webbed feet were Certificate of Ownership and Registration Papers for a seven year old purebred Arabian mare. (distantly related to Sa'ika, I believe). Then frustration set in; as they were spending Christmas up in the interior it would be a few days before she could see her new beastie, then on arriving home she was down with the flu for a week. To top it off once she was well enough to ride the cold weather set in and it was too icy, took two weeks in all, hee!hee! Only a "green" sister good see humor in that..... Jim Blackmore who works at the "Keg and Cleaver" has offered to provide free salad and "keg Steaks" at a nominal fee for one of our ring events this spring. Sounds like a great idea.Sure was good to see such a large turnout at the January meeting. Unfortunately many people had a problem hearing what was being said. This was not due to the mass but because of the mass' uncontrollable need to chatter at each other while others had the floor. I'm sure if each one of us questioned ourselves we would all have to admit guilt. The point is that one person whispering provides a quiet buzz but 50 people whispering makes for a loud roar. The object of the meetings is to conduct business and if that is done and over with quickly then there is time afterwards for entertainment and socializing. Juniors you must be patient with what must seem like boring discussion, but generally this discussion concerns you in some way and you might consider putting your energies in to contributing - you are allowed to voice your opinions in the proper manner. Seniors should be setting a good example! Just thought I would include this next bit for our new members. This "Nag Rag" is our club Newsletter. It is supposed to go out once a month to keep members informed as to

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what is going on. All contributions are welcomed. We try to print show results, classified adds, interesting events in the club, things which happen to members, (good and bad), safety tips, most anything that comes to mind. For now, all contributions can be phoned or mailed to myself, Dorothy Jordan, 2019 Courser Drive, Sidney, B.C., V8L 2N5, 656-1948. The next deadline is February 6, 1978 which is the day of the next meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

It sure is nice to see new faces in the club again. The following people are joining us for the first time:

Mr. Earl Grant

Mrs. Marieka Oudshoorn, Michelle and Maria

Barb McIntock

Dick and Gloria Silverberg and daughter Judy

Mr. Bud Tiffany and Colleen

Mrs. Joan Stubbs and Vicky

Linda Boutin, whose family already belong.

Wilf and Jacqui Price

Mrs. Heather Temblett and Sabrina

Mrs. Sally McKay and children, Douglas, John, Mary and Jeffery.

Jill Yates, who is returning after a few years absence.



Welcome to Sunset !

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Sunset Riding Club will be held on Monday, February 6, 1978 at 7:30 P.M. at the Holy Trinity Church Hall on Mills Road. The purpose of this meeting is to hear the reports of the Executives and to elect a New Executive. This meeting does not count toward your three yearly meetings.

NOMINATIONS

At the January meeting the Nominating Committee gave its report and nominations were asked for from the floor. The following Executive positions were filled by acclamation;

President	Mrs. Colleen Hague
Vice-President	Mr. Bob Openshaw
Secretary	Mrs. Noreen Utley
Treasurer	Mrs. Judy Doyle
Director	Mr. Peter Whitehouse (automatic as passed president)



Two of the following people are to be elected as directors at the Annual General Meeting.

Nominated by the Committee: Ann Widdowson and Tim Hives

Nominated from the floor: Fred Mcrawetz and Dorothy Jordan

VOTERS LIST!

The following people are paid up Ordinary Members in good standing who are eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting as well as on any other matter concerning the club.

Brenda Anderson	Genevieve Berry	Mrs. E. Burrows
Gordon Anderson	Ben Boutin	Ann Chandler
Doug Anderson	Donna Boutin	John Doyle

VOTERS LIST CONT.....

Judy Doyle
Audrey Fox
Muriel Green
Truman Green
Colleen Hague
Tim Hives
Penny Hives
Roy Jewell
Dorothy Jordan
Mary Kierans
Fred Morawetz
Lynn Morawetz

Bob Openshaw
Barbara Rhind
Donna Searle
Gilbert Soellner
Lorene Soellner
Jean Thistle
Tony Thistle
Noreen Utley
Mrs. J. Walker
Don Wallace
Jeanette Wallace

Tom Widdowson
Ann Widdowson
Sylvia Thistle
Pete Whitehouse
Heather Blackmore
Ann Barclay
Alice Budesheim
Roy Budesheim
Linda Jennings
Jim Jennings
Shelly Smith

If there are any queries regarding this list please call Noreen Utley at 656-3804.

You are asked to think carefully when voting and vote only for the people whom you feel will do a good job for the club.



YEAR OF THE HORSE



This is from the Waikiki Beach Press Jan. 1978.

According to the Chinese lunar calendar, 1978 will be the Year of the Horse. Chinese New Year festivities will honor this animal, seventh in the order of 12 zodiac creatures.

In ancient China, the horse was highly prized as a beast of burden and mode of transportation. It was considered a measure of men's wealth; the nobility, officials and soldiers rode on horses while the common people walked.

The horse was also valued in olden times for its medicinal properties. Parts of its legs were prepared and used to relieve toothaches. The ashes of the horses skull were mixed with water and prescribed as a cure for insomnia. The heart, after being dried and powdered, was said to cure forgetfulness when drunk with wine.

The strong and graceful horse was also favorite subject of poets, painters and sculptors. It was portrayed as being noble, faithful, brave and persevering.

According to ancient Chinese belief, people born under the different signs of the lunar calendar possess certain distinctive characteristics.

Those born in the Year of the Horse are independent, confident, talkative and popular. They are hardworking and skillfull in handling finances.

Horse year people are also wise, clever, goodlooking and showy in dress and manner. They should be successful in politics because of their charisma.

As far as weaknesses are concerned, horse year people are impatient, temperamental and stubborn. They are prone to anger quickly and have many changing moods. They are extroverts and always need to be surrounded by people who

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Year of the Horse cont.....

approve of and flatter them.

People born under the horse sign are patrons of the arts - they enjoy plays, musicals and other forms of entertainment.

Horse year people would do best in marriage with a person from tiger, dog and sheep years. They would be wise to avoid marrying someone born in the year of the Rat.

Hummmmm ???

FOR SALE!



Bell Boots, as new..... \$4.00
Black halter and lead, pony size... \$8.00
Stirrups, as new..... \$5.00
Hard Hat, size 6 1/2\$8.00

Agombar 656-6805

Goat - 1/2 Toggenberg female, 1 1/2 yrs old... \$35.00
Chaps - 30" inseam, natural brown \$35.00

Whitehouse 656-2128

Pony Saddle, 12 " seat, tapaderos, stainless conchos, good condition... \$90.00
Assorted bridles and bits.....

Webster 652-2860

COMMITTEES

Well, I opened my big mouth and here I am trying to encourage you all to get out and support your favorite committee. Some of our committees have been let to sluff off the last few years while others have really pulled the load. This year, however, we hope that all of them will do their job, and that is where you come in. If you read your 'Information to Members Sheets' (Naturally!) you will be aware that everyone is expected to do something to support the club. My aim is to let you know what Committees we have and a little about them as we shall be looking for Chairmen and helpers at the Annual General meeting. Serving on the various committees is fun and a great way to meet all the members.

The following is sort of a list of what we have and what is required in each case:

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COMMITTEES CONT.....

INDOOR COMMITTEE: This is one that has been let go.... The two main functions of this group is to provide entertainment for meetings (films, guest speakers, etc.) and to arrange the Annual Awards Banquet. In the past dances, Halloween parties, wine and cheese parties have also been held, and certainly the requests for activities other than horsey have been many.

OUTDOOR COMMITTEE: This is the most active and interesting committee of the works. It consists of the organization and planning of all the outdoor events. They are Points days, Fun days, Trail Rides, Breakfast rides, the Overnight Trail Ride, and the Competitive Trail Ride, not to mention any other outdoor event members wish to arrange. Jobs are many in the outdoor group. Trail maintenance is one of the important ones. For the Point and Fun days we need people for moving jumps and other equipment (ring crew), entry secretaries, ring clerks, in and out gate people, spotters for games, time keepers, etc, etc, etc., as you can see there are lots of things to do and as in most things many hands make light work. One would not necessarily work on all events with the exception of the Chairman of course, but could work on as many as you wish.

RING MAINTENANCE: Another very important committee. This group is responsible for keeping the ring and grounds in proper working order. They call the work parties when they are necessary (all members are expected to put in time on the work parties) and decide what is to be done. They see that equipment is kept in repair and build new equipment when it is needed or at least cause it to be built. Anyone damaging equipment or finding damaged equipment should report it to this committee.

FOOD: This committee is a very popular one after trail rides and during ring events (my daughters are reputed to be responsible for half the profit each year). Workers on this group prepare and serve dinners for the Competitive Trail Ride, Overnight Trail Ride, etc., and also man the booth at the grounds for ring events; our last Chairman was a dilly baking much of the food offered herself. Did I forget to mention those delicious breakfasts we have after those ridiculously early morning rides? Oh yes, one other chore here is to provide or cause to be provided coffee and cookies for after the meetings.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: This person must keep an accurate account of the points from all the Points days, and see to the engraving of trophies for the year end as well as the purchasing of ribbons, etc. They must have everything in order for the Awards Banquet.

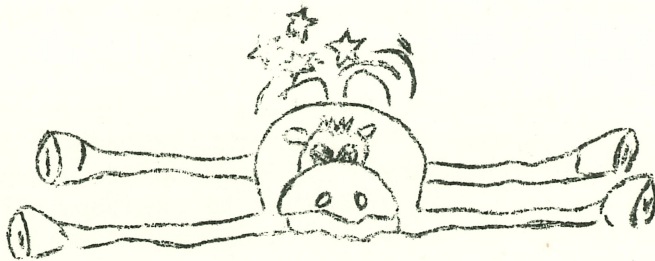
NAG RAG (PUBLICITY) COMMITTEE: A good typewriter is essential, and a little writing ability helps (although I've managed to fool everyone for a year -- I think??). This person must put the Nag Rag out each month, and print all the notices, entry forms, etc. for all the other committees. You must run the club owned Gestetner machine and see to the ordering of supplies for it. You are also supposed to take care of any other publicity the club might require, newspaper, etc.

PHONING COMMITTEE: This committee takes care of any notification to members which is on too short a notice for the Nag Rag to take care of. The list is usually divided between several people and they take care of all phoning.

SAANICHTON FALL FAIR BOOTH: The most important of all as this provides the funds for all our activities. This group takes care of the running of the Booth, co-ordinating the shifts, ordering the food, etc. etc.

DON'T FORGET

-The Annual General Meeting, February 6, 1978, Usual place.
-To think about what Committee you would like to work on.
-To fill out the form below regarding meeting nights.
-To make all the new members feel welcome.
-the next Nag Rag Deadline is February 6, meeting night.
-That the Annual General Meeting doesn't count toward qualifying as an Ordinary member.



MEETING CHANGE?

Several times discussion has occurred this past year as to whether or not we should change the meeting night from the first Monday each month to another night. Each time things are left up in the air so it is hoped this next item will be the solution: Please fill it out and return it to Mrs. Utley, 10780 West Saanich Rd., RR#1 Sidney, B.C. V8L 3R9

Indicate below which night you prefer for meetings, keeping in mind that it will be the first of whichever day each month. If you do not return this it will be understood that you are happy with the way things are.... which is the first Monday of each month.

Monday _____ Tuesday _____ Wednesday _____ Thursday _____ Friday _____

Don't Care _____

Comments: _____

You may include your name or not as you wish _____

