



# MIWOK LIVERY SHOW TEAM



The Miwok Livery Show Team is open to students in the Livery After-school Program. The Team rides twice a week year-round, and competes at horse shows at various equestrian centers in the Bay Area.

## Team Spirit

Being on the Team is a multi-tiered learning experience, teaching the kids advanced riding skills as well as cooperation, perseverance, problem solving and meeting challenges positively. The kids do it all – pack the trailer, load and unload horses, clean tack, groom, prepare the horses for the show and care for them at the show. They help each other, and enjoy the process.

## Team Levels

On average, Team riders begin around age ten, and continue through High School. They start with walk/trot classes at the shows, for a year or more, depending on the rider, then progress to Walk/Trot/Canter classes. Next is Hunter Hack, which is walk/trot/canter in both directions and low fences; then jumping Cross-rail, Low Hunters, and finally, Hunters over Fences 2'6".



## Getting Started

Being on the Team is a commitment to riding in two classes a week. During the summer, instead of the After-school class, there is an early morning class, usually at 7:30 a.m. This class is billed at the end of summer according to the rider's attendance. The Summer Saturday class is pre-paid for the three months, but at a lower rate, at \$480 instead of the usual \$600 cost of Winter and Spring terms, in order to allow for family travel and vacations. Kids who are away most of the summer will be billed at the end of the summer @ \$70/class.

Team riders compete in a minimum of four shows a year, with a maximum of between eight and ten shows. New Team Riders first come to a show to watch and get an idea of how it works. Then they come to help - learning the ropes. Parents usually come to most of the shows, and they enjoy helping, too, pinning on the competitors' numbers, lending moral support, and sharing pot luck picnics. And taking lots of photographs!



## Costs

Average Show Team costs for a year:

After-school class: Sept-May paid in full on or before September 12.	\$2,100.
Team Class, F, W, S @ \$600 per quarter, Paid Quarterly @ \$600: Sept 1, Dec. 1, Mar 1.	\$1,800.
Summer Saturday Team package: 8 lessons Paid June 1.	\$480.
Summer Saturday Team drop-in lessons, each Billed at end of summer.	\$70.
Summer: Weekday Practices, each Billed at end of summer.	\$60.
Show Fees, average per show (The home show at Miwok is \$200). Billed after each show. The Show Fees include trailering truck, trailer, gas, maint., stabling, entry and training fees for lesson and instruction at show, and use of Livery horse.	\$425.

Show Team works best for kids who are not also trying to participate heavily in other sports. This is a year-round commitment to an intense program; the more you put into it, the more you will get out of it.

*Thank you for your interest  
in the Miwok Livery Show Team!*

