

STALL OF FAME & HONOUR ROLL HORSE

JC QUICK QUINT

(nominated in 2016)

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Quint is a 1993 bay gelding believed to be part quarter horse and part paint. Purchased by Rose Dankoof New Lowell from a stripper, he was then sold to Bob Wright whose unfortunate ill health forced his sale as part of a 'package' as the 'second' horse to Jim and Connie Rawski of St. Clements.

Quint was brought along slowly by Wendy Lewis and Jim for his first three years. Once he was developed, Jim and Connie's oldest son, Ryan, took the reins; and, when Ryan went off to university, Jim got his horse back.

Quint's exceptional performance record spans 16 seasons from 1998 to 2014.

In OCTRA, Quint has 4,090 miles in endurance, competitive trail and ride n tie.

2000:

- 500 mile award
- Top Ten Endurance

2001:

- Reserve High Point Endurance

2002:

- 1000 mile award
- High Point Endurance
- Best Condition Horse

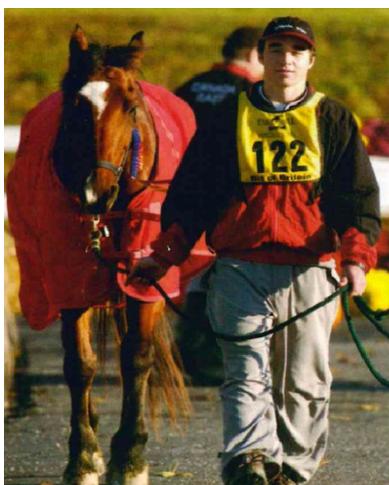
2003:

- 1500 mile award
- Best of the Rest (breed awards)
- High Point Endurance
- Reserve High Point Overall

2004:

- 2000 mile award
- High Vet Score – Lost Creek Endurance
- Best Condition Horse
- High Point Endurance
- Top Ten Overall – 5th

Over the years, Quint received the following OCTRA awards:



Canadian Ryan Rawski and his horse JC Quick Quint were second by only three seconds in the Fair Hill International CEI*** 100-Mile FEI Endurance ride.

(Note that I am unable to locate Pulse Awards issues for 2008 and 2010, so Quint likely won awards for those years as well.)

2005:

- High Vet Score - Aprilfest & Coates Creek 75
- Best Condition Horse
- Reserve High Point Endurance

2006:

- 2500 mile award
- High Vet Score – Coates Creek 75
- Best Condition Horse
- High Point Endurance

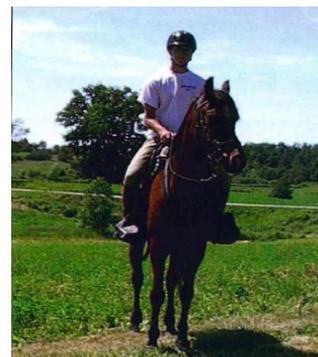
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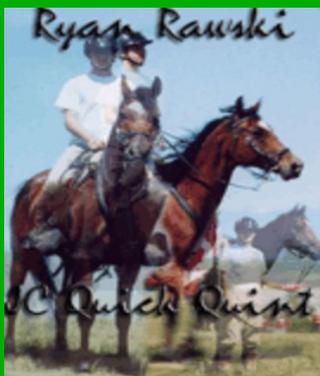
- 3000 mile award
- Best Condition Horse
- Best of the Rest (breed award)
- High Vet Score - Lost Creek Endurance 50 & Spirit of Excellence III 50
- High Point Endurance
- Top Ten Overall – 3rd

2009:

- 3500 mile award
- Best Condition Horse
- Top Ten Endurance – 3rd

Quint has 7,765 endurance miles in AERC, completing 143 out of 153 rides entered for a 93% completion rate, including completion of 7-100 mile rides; multiple pioneer rides; and, winning best condition an astounding 54 times! In all rides he completed in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2012 and 2014, Quint placed in the Top Ten or higher 100% of the time! Many of these placings were in multi-day pioneer rides and 100 mile rides. Quint has 31 first place wins in his career.





According to AERC's Northeast (NE) Region Standings, Quint was awarded these honours over the years:

- 2000 - HW Division, 2nd
- 2001 - HW Division, 4th
- 2002 - HW Division, 2nd; and, 2nd Overall in the NE Region
- 2003 - FW Division, 1st; and, 3rd Overall in the NE Region
- 2004 - MW Division, 4th; and, 4th Overall in the NE Region
- 2005 - MW Division, 2nd; and, 2nd Overall in the NE Region
- 2006 - HW Division, 2nd; and, 2nd Overall in the NE Region
- 2007 - HW Division, 1st; and, 1st Overall in the NE Region
- 2008 - HW Division, 4th; and, 9th Overall in the NE Region
- 2009 - HW Division, 2nd; and, 3rd Overall in the NE Region

AERC Pioneer Award Standings:

- 2002 - HW Division, 7th
- 2003 - FW Division, 8th
- 2004 - MW Division, 7th
- 2005 - MW Division, 10th
- 2006 - HW Division, 1st
- 2007 - HW Division, 6th

The Pioneer Award honors riders with the most points on a multi-day event (3-5 days). Qualification is a cumulative score for the same horse and rider team per event. All days of the ride must be completed.

AERC National Best Condition (BC) Award Standings:

- 2002 - 9th with 4 BC's
- 2003 - 5th with 5 BC's
- 2004 - 8th with 5 BC's
- 2005 - 1st with 11 BC's
- 2006 - 6th with 5 BC's
- 2007 - 2nd with 9 BC's
- 2008 - 2nd with 7 BC's
- 2009 - 7th with 6 BC's

In 2001, Quint successfully completed the 100 mile Pan American Championship in Vermont in 18th place. Quint was so exceptional that many top riders from the USA and Dubai wanted to purchase him, but Jim wouldn't part with him.

In 2002, Quint flew to Dubai for the 130km FEI/UAE World Cup Endurance - one of only a handful of non-completions. Quint didn't like the openness of the desert and was quite frightened while there. See article here: <http://gulfnews.com/news/uae/general/horses-arrive-for-world-cup-1.379860>

Connie's fondest memory of Quint and Ryan was at the 100 mile FEI ride in Flesherton in 2003. Ryan was 17 and was just starting to ride on his own. Ryan jogged the ski hills with Quint in tow and managed to put a 2 hour, 20 minute lead between him and the second place horse. Of course, Quint won Best Condition!

In 2004, 18 year old Ryan and Quint competed at the Fair Hill International CEI*** 100-Mile FEI Endurance Ride in Maryland, USA under inclement weather conditions. Ryan recalls that the horses' hooves threw sparks in the dark as they pounded the tarmac. It was a thrilling race to the finish with the top four only seconds apart. Quint came in only three seconds behind the first place winner to take second, and was awarded the prestigious Best Condition award. However, Quint didn't stop racing once he crossed the finish line, as he wanted to pass the first place horse! Once he accomplished that, he finally let Ryan slow him down.

Quint and Jim are also members of the AERC Decade Team. This award recognizes an achievement that represents the foundation on which AERC was formed by acknowledging a rider who over a long period of time has kept an equine sound and actively competing. The Decade Team recognizes those equine and rider teams who completed at least one endurance ride (50 miles or more) each year for 10 years. This would not have to be consecutive years, and the rider must be an AERC member each of the 10 years. (https://aerc.org/static/AERC_Decade_Team.aspx)

Jim says of Quint, that: "Every ride he came to compete" and that "Even on a bad day, he would be good". Quint liked to go fast, and could trot up to 18 km/h!

Even though Quint was 'good' at his job, he was far from being 'good'... According to Connie, he is temperamental and miserable. In his early years, on his way to a ride, he would paw off his front shoes in the trailer. Luckily, Connie is a blacksmith! Camping at night, if he was by himself, he would fret and be on the move all night. The Rawski's learnt to ignore him, as he was fine once on the trail the next day. In the trailer on the way home, he knew exactly when he was five miles from home as he would start kicking and rocking the trailer, as if to say he wanted out! Quint was the most difficult horse to catch, and would keep the game up for hours, but would always allow himself to be caught by Connie.

Quint was retired from active competition in 2015 in serviceably sound condition, and is enjoying a well deserved retirement on Jim and Connie's farm in St. Clements. At first, retirement was hard on Quint as he wondered why he wasn't in the trailer with the others. Quint has settled down a lot, and even allows people to pet him and rub him all over. His main job now is to babysit the youngsters, and take Jim for a ride once in a while.

As demonstrated above, Quint surpasses the criteria for both the Honour Roll & Stall of Fame, and has proven beyond expectation that he was "outstanding in his time".