



Sgt Reckless: America's War Horse

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I recently finished reading a book about an amazing horse that I had never heard of before, but whose story will stick in my mind forever. I am the father of two daughters who led our young family into many wonderful adventures in the horse riding world, but that is about as close as I ever came to understanding horses. One of those daughters, Kim F Miller, is now managing editor of this magazine. The book, *Sgt Reckless: American's War Horse* gave me an understanding of horse qualities I never would have dreamed of! I recommend it to anyone with an interest in equine characteristics.

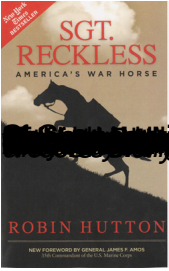
A part of the forward to this book is quoted below, written by General James F. Amos, 35th Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps.

“When you consider that Reckless was a Mongolian horse, you shouldn't be surprised by her solid performance on the battlefield. Her bloodline is that of a breed that goes back to the herds of the great Genghis Khan. Reckless certainly earned her stripes by carrying ammunition up to the firing positions along the ridgelines of Korea and carrying wounded Marines back down the hill to receive medical care. She often made the trips at great personal risk under fire. The apex of Reckless's career came in March of 1973, when she made fifty-one trips, most of them solo, in a single day to resupply Marines fighting for OP Vegas.

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