

PARTRIDGE *fan club* NEWS

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EXCLUSIVE

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What's a four letter word for Partridge? If you guessed "busy," then you were one hundred percent right! The Partridges have been the busiest flock in Hollywood this season!

David Cassidy told me that he spends every spare minute he has working on his personal appearance material, and writing new songs.

"At first, I didn't think my songs were very good, but as I wrote more and more, I found out that my stuff got better and better. I don't want to brag or anything, but after the great response to "Ricky's Tune," I really feel like I should keep my hand in the writing end as well as the singing!"

Speaking of getting better and better, you should see Suzanne Crough on a horse! Suzanne spent a good deal of time horsebackriding on her last vacation, and she can ride like a pro now! I asked Suzanne if she was afraid the first time she jumped on a horse.



DAVID'S busy writing songs!

"Well, when I first saw the horse, I wasn't scared a bit! But as soon as I got on, I was really nervous! I was so high off the ground. I was with my family, though, so I knew nothing could go wrong. I was really glad that I wasn't alone, that's for sure!"

Did Suzanne ever fall off in her months of practice? "No, I've come close, but when I feel like I'm going to fall, I just hang on tight, and so far it's worked!"

Brian Forster has also been busy as a bee. He told me that last weekend he took his first train ride! Obviously Brian is now a big fan of the railroads, because he couldn't stop talking about it!

"I had a great time!" he said, while waiting for the next scene to begin, "I've always wanted to go on a train... you get to see as much as you would in a car, but you don't have to stop for red lights. That's what I don't like about planes... you really can't see anything... especially when you're going through clouds! I can't wait to hop on another train. It was really fantastic!"

Shirley Jones was also bitten by the travel bug, and she explained her recent trip.

TRAINS ARE SLOW!

"I've been doing a great bit of traveling these past few months, doing some personal appearance shows." Shirley said, then to tease Brian, she added, "But I prefer planes. Trains are too slow for me!"

"I've just been on a plane trip myself," a new voice added to the conversation! It was Susan Dey, who looked like a lobster,

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