

Hur Marie Träffade Fredrik, Åsnan Rebus, Kangarun Ploj och...

("How Marie Met Fredrik, Rebus Donkey, the Kangaroo Ploughman, and...")

Sweden : 1969 : dir. Bo A Vibenius

: 69 min

prod: : scr: : dir.ph.:

Madeleine Onne; Fredrik Becklén

Adult cast unknown

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Speelfilm Encyclopedie review:

“Marie, a little girl, lives in a splendid villa but is bored to death. When one day she breaks a vase she runs off, and then meets Fredrik and a new world opens up for her. A world of friendly people and new playmates (Rebus the donkey, Stampe the rabbit etc). A lovely children’s film. ***½ ”

The Moving Picture Boy entry on Becklén:

“Kjell Grede’s beautiful "**HUGO OCH JOSEFIN**" is about a little girl living in the Swedish countryside and needing a playmate. When she goes to the village school she falls in with the oddball of her class, a strange loner called Hugo, prone to vanish on private quests and safaris. He has his own sorrow, since his father is in prison (as a conscientious objector), but he also has a kindly uncle who looks after him.

Josefin is played by the enchanting Marie Öhman - a child of utter happiness who often subsides in helpless giggles - and Hugo by one of the most endearing and individual of all the screen’s children. Fredrik Becklén is a wise little troll, with an unpretentious dignity and the most winning of grins.

Solemnly explaining his long absence from school as a research project on water-spiders, or bowling along the country lanes on an old penny-farthing bicycle (while the soundtrack, with justified effrontery, bursts into "For Unto Us a Child is Born"), he is a magical creation.

An attempt to team Fredrik up, two years later, with another director and another little girl - and the sort of cute, interminable title popular at the time - was unhappily less inspired.”

[no listing in "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 1996", "The Critics' Film Guide", "The Good Film and Video Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "The Sunday Times Guide to Movies on Television", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

No further information currently available. Strenuously funny film titles are usually a warning. Becklén was approximately 11. Nothing is known of Madeleine Onne.

See also "**HUGO OCH JOSEFIN**" (67) and subject index under **ANIMALS, BOY MEETS GIRL, RUNAWAYS / STOWAWAYS** and **SCANDINAVIA**.