



October 2009

Full Cry

VIEW FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DEN

By Jay Young

It is the time of the year for my annual invocation of apology to all of the people who I will forget to thank for things they do during the course of the year. Each of you whom I have forgotten to thank in the past and who I will inevitably forget to thank in the future are hereby thanked. I have a perennial dilemma about whether it is better to thank no one by name or to thank individuals and risk forgetting someone. If I forget you or if you know of someone I have forgotten, please just remind me and please be assured that it is never intentional.

The focus of my column this month is to give special recognition and to thank those members of the Club who are not foxhunters. Foxhunters and non-foxhunters alike devote a significant amount of time and energy volunteering to assist with Club activities and spending lots of money at our fund raising events. There is something special about doing so without the return of the mounted joy of the sport. I want to start my thanks with our dedicated "road whips" – the famous Thelma, Louise and Louise – Peggy Smalley, Marian Hamilton and Anne Kinsley, (I'm not sure who is Thelma and who are the Louises!), Carol Tanzola, Sarah Scott and Millicent Jordan. Your tireless dedication to the safety of our hounds and riders is deeply appreciated.

Kudos for recent events go out to the chairs of the annual meeting, Sarah Scott and Margaret Stump, as well as the crew that took the reins of the puppy auction, including chief cook and bottle washer - Jim Tanzola; czar of the bar - Don Scott; commander of clean-up - Joe Davies; queen of pre-event coordination - Michelle Durbin; and diva of the day of the event execution - Orsia Young. It was a relatively boring weekend. All we had was the

annual meeting on Friday, hunting on Saturday and the puppy auction on Sunday.

Other non-hunting heroes are Kent and Millicent Jordan. Millicent is always an anxious volunteer for any event, brings a dish, sets up, cleans up – whatever is necessary. The same goes for Kent, he is a reliable volunteer for any event and an absolute master of the chain saw on Hardly Able days. Kent and Millicent have also devoted untold hours to the development and maintenance of our website. The latest innovation is a password protected members-only feature which restricts access to members only for sensitive content. Now that we have a members-only section, we are able to provide a constantly updated membership directory with all member contact information. Huge thanks to Orsia for assembling all of that documentation and for updating the handbook and membership directory into a new binder format. This will allow us to update portions of the handbook, as well as the membership directory in an environmentally sensitive way. All of the updates will simply be made on the website accessed by members only. J.B. Babcock created links to Google Earth from all of our hunt meet locations. This feature will also be located in the members-only section. Not only will directions be provided, but there is also an actual visual depiction of the area to park your trailer at each meet. Technology is an amazing thing and we are very fortunate that Kent and Millicent Jordan have done such a spectacular job developing and maintaining our website. Thanks to Kent, Millicent and J.B.

There are always folks who help to maintain the club house. Ellie Russell purchased our new window treatments for the main room and a new red leather sofa for the Fox's Lair. (the old sofa was threatening to talk to the police about goings-on in the club house and had to go). Ellie is always organizing works par-

ties to help maintain the flower beds. She has been capably assisted by L. B. Boyce, Tudie Scarborough, Eilene Poole and other whom I have forgotten and who are covered in the preceding blanket apology! Rick Hyman and Govane McClees are often called by Mary Lee for handyman repairs around the club house and are always there to lend a hand.

One of the goals of my tenure as President has been to encourage social membership and involvement. In 2000 we created the *President's Award*. In the same manner that hunt colors are awarded for exceptional performance in the hunt field, the *President's Award* is awarded "to a member who has demonstrated a special, consistent and significant commitment to the Club through volunteer efforts in club activities." Recipients may be foxhunters, but don't have to be. Below is the list of *President's Award* recipients:

President's Award Recipients

2000	Judith B. Baldwin Charles T. Williams, III
2001	Lambert G. Boyce, Jr.
2002	No recipient
2003	Michael J. Davies Maryanna Skowronski
2004	Peggy Smalley
2005	Susan Green
2006	Marian Hamilton Carole Tanzola
2007	Harriet Iglehart Eilene Poole
2008	Chris Peddicord
2009	Jim Tanzola Orsia Young

The central focus of our Club is foxhunting, but you don't have to be a foxhunter to enjoy foxhunting. I thank our foxhunting members for their outreach to our non-foxhunting members. I thank our non-foxhunting members for their special devotion and dedication to our Club. It is this special relationship that makes our Club so outstanding.

A Tradition Continues

By John Hawks

This morning I drove over to where the trailers were parked after a Monday meet. When I drove up there were about 12 or 15 people left, predictably, gathered around the "Smyth Horse Trailer and Lounge". Among these people was my son Danny.

I think most of you know the story about Danny. His grandmother was Mary Virginia Scott. She worked occasionally in the kitchen of the club and frequently helped at the Voss's, Griswold's, and many others during parties. She was a good and hard working lady that many of you remember fondly. Danny has many memories of being in the kitchen during parties at the Club.

Today, Danny, Mary Virginia Scott's grandson hunted with the club as a Social Member. I didn't think that should pass by without acknowledging what a special place this club is and what special people make up the membership. We frequently talk about Stewardship of open countryside but don't spend as much time talking about Stewardship of the sport and the nurturing of new participants. This real demonstration of open-armed acceptance and nurturing of a new rider, regardless of background, is the essence of sportsmanship and gentility.

Thank you.



Elkridge-Harford Hounds

October 2009

All Meets 8:00 A.M.

Sat. 3 rd	Andor Farm
Mon. 5 th	Foxharbor Farm
Weds. 7 th	Tally Ho Farm
Sat. 10 th	Carroll Branch
Mon. 12 th	Pocock and Turner Rd. PA National Horse Show Hunt Night
Weds. 14 th	The White Farm
Sat. 17 th	Willow Oaks
Sun. 18 th	E.H. Hunter Trials- Harford Hill
Mon. 19 th	Sycamore Farm
Weds. 21 st	Greenwood Manor
Sat. 24 th	Atlanta Hall Farm
Mon. 26 th	South Branch Farm
Weds. 28 th	Manor Hill Farm
Sat. 31 st	Hanlon House

In case of inclement weather or to inquire about bye days call 692-5441.

See next month's card earlier
www.ehhounds.com

ELKRIDGE-HARFORD HUNT PONY CLUB

By Karen Bennett, DC

Pony Club Camp was held at William's farm last month and fun was had by all. We camped out in tents for 2 nights and had 3 days of activities including a trail ride, mounted and un-mounted relay races, jumping lesson, tubing down the river, caveletti painting, formation riding, bandaging, longeing, swimming, movies and crafts. The Ponies/Horses were cared for 'pony club' way, and Horsemangement skills were improved! **'D' Dressage - Congratulations** to Elyse (Cpt), Julia, Quinn, Nicole and Emily G (SM) on their fine show of Dressage. It was a very long day, with 24 Teams competing!! The scores were very close, and we finished just outside the ribbons, with only 19 points between us and the winners! This was Nicole's first mounted Rally and she received '0' in HM - way to go! All the girls did a good job in again just placing outside the ribbons. This is the first time Elkridge has had a Dressage Team in the 'D' Rally for a long time! Well done girls, a super show, some very nice tests indeed! Earlier in the year our **'C' Dressage** Team of Turner Williams, Josie Bennett, Reilly Stettinius, Brianna Price (Cpt) and Quinn Scala (stable manager) finished 4th in the Region, a very good display of finesse and control was shown. Welcome to our new members! We have been getting ready for the Fox-hunting season, with members already participating in hound walking and cubbing - thank you to Elkridge Harford for allowing us to join you! Good luck in Eventing and Show Jumping Rallies and our Hunter Trials- coming up soon!

**ELKRIDGE-HARFORD
HUNT PONY CLUB**
SCHOOLING HUNTER TRIALS
SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER
AT THE HUNT CLUB
2' - 3' OUTSIDE COURSE
2' INSIDE COURSE
NON-JUMPING OUTSIDE COURSE!
(new)
ENTRY FORM AVAILABLE ON PONY CLUB WEBSITE

EHHC Social Calendar 2009-2010

OCTOBER

- Sun., Oct. 18 Hunter Trials
Ellie Williams
Sun., Oct. 18 Hunter Trials Party
M. Hamilton

NOVEMBER

- Sat., Nov. 7 Opening Meet
Stirrup Cup
A. Kinsley
Sat., Nov. 7 Opening Meet
Thurs., Nov. 17 Christmas Bazaar -
Club
P. Smalley
Thurs., Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Hunt
Blessing of Hounds
Fri., Nov. 27, 2009
Children's Hunt
Sat., Nov. 28, New Members
Hunt Tea
J. & O. Young

And From The Second Field

By Johnny Almond

I was speaking to Geoff the other morning at breakfast. He said it would be great if every one practiced the same drill. When the huntsman or a whip has to come back thru the 1st field or 2nd field let's say in the woods or along the corn or a bean field: turn your horses quarters to away from the approaching horse and rider. This way the passer by is more protected from an unwanted kick or quick back up. This is also a safety issue. It's easier than a quick reverse down a long path and takes less time.

Library Whispering

Remember back in the days when you were in the library and if you spoke too loud or carried on the Head Librarian would warn you and then throw you out if it continued. Lets not run the risk of being thrown out of the hunt field. **Ssshhhhhh!** Hounds and Huntsman need quiet to do their job.

The Hundred Acre Field Junior/Schooling Hunter Trials for the benefit of the Mt. Carmel Foxhounds

2315 Geist Road
Glyndon, MD 21071
410-771-1756

Sunday, October 11th, 2009 — 11:00

Please join us for the inaugural Hundred Acre Field Hunter Trials. Emphasis will be on juniors, but ALL are encouraged to attend and participate: young kids, old ladies, green horses, new foxhunters, really old foxhunters, wannabe foxhunters. All fences are similar to those found out hunting. Horses will be judged on soundness, suitability, manners, pace and performance.

Entry Fee: \$15 per class \$15 per person for Teams/Pairs

Courses open for walking after 3 pm on Thursday, October 8th.

The course must be walked on FOOT. Any mounts seen on the course before the Hunter Trials will be eliminated.

Prizes for first place. Six ribbons will be awarded in all classes.

Special awards for Best Child Rider and Overall High Point Horse or Pony

All classes count towards High Point Award.

Juniors are 16 years of age and younger as of 1/1/2009.

Rules & Regulations

1. Every entry at this Hunter Trials shall constitute an agreement and affirmation that the person making it, owner, lessee, trainer, agent, driver, rider and the horse (1) shall be subject to the rules of this Hunter trials, (2) that every horse and rider is eligible as entered, (3) shall hold harmless for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with this trial, whether or not such injury or loss resulted, directly or indirectly from the negligent acts or omissions of those mentioned above.
2. All junior riders must wear ASTM-SEI approved helmets. No one may be mounted at any time without a hard hat and hard soled shoes.
3. The hunter trial committee reserves the right to combine, cancel, or divide any classes in the best interest of the hunter trial.
4. Rider's age will be calculated as of January 1st, 2009.
5. No dogs please!!!
6. All barns, outbuildings and the house are off limits at all times.

Classes:

2'6" course

1. Pairs -- Last fence to be jumped abreast
2. Junior Hunter
3. Junior Hunter (reverse direction)
4. Open Hunter
5. Hunt Teams --Last fence to be jumped abreast

Family Class: for an additional fee (\$10/horse?) can be judged as a family during class 5, with the prize being a 50/50.

3' Course

6. Open 3' course
7. Hunt Teams 3' course --Last fence to be jumped abreast

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Letter to The Editor:

Dear Jay,

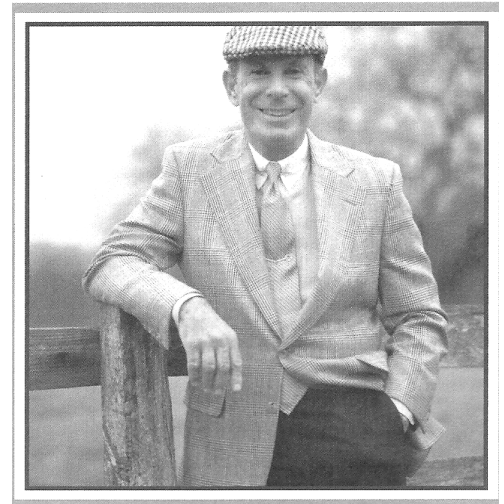
Enjoyed [as usual] your article in the newsletter...especially the part about running equipment. Years back when Art was building his Polo field, Tommy Simons had a bunch of yellow iron delivered up to the farm and a Saturday was designated for a bunch of us to come up and knock out the field. I thought that this was going to be my chance to fill my Bucket list too. Arriving early that morning, jeans on, coffee in hand.... ..standing there perusing the fleet of heavy equipment, I asked "What can I run?" Tommy turned to me and replied "errands"

Don Greenawalt



**North County Preservation Presents our
Fifth Annual
Trail Ride For Land Preservation
Sunday October 25, 2009 10am**

This year's ride leaves from **Slade's Inn Bed and Breakfast** Located at 15820 Old York Road, Monkton, MD 21111. It is a great opportunity for EHC non fox hunting members to experience riding through many beautiful preserved farms, valleys and trails at a relaxed pace. There will be a walk, trot group and walk, trot, canter group. **Elkridge Harford Hunt Club** members will lead the ride. The tour will last approximately 2 hours. Horses must be comfortable riding in groups and able to cross streams. Safety helmets required for all riders. Boxed Lunches Provided By **Graul's Market, Hereford** Donation of \$40 Per Rider Children under 12 free when accompanied with their parent. Register early - limited space!! North County Preservation, Inc. is a not-for profit 501c3 organization dedicated to supporting rural life in Northern Baltimore County. We focus on gathering and distributing fact-based information to encourage responsible development and preservation. For more information contact Carrie Gittings at carriegittings@comcast.net or visit our website www.northcountypreservation.org



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Elkridge Harford Hunt Club



Hunter Trials

Sunday October 18, 2009

8:30 am

Harford Hill Farm

2501 Pockock Road, Fallston MD 21047

PRIZE LIST

HUNTER TRIAL CLASSES

Course A (2'6" – 2'9" Course)

1. **JUNIOR HUNTER** – Open to all riders 18 years of age or under
2. **JUNIOR HUNTER** – Reverse Course
3. **OPEN FIELD HUNTER** – Open to all horses or ponies
4. **OPEN FIELD HUNTER** – Reverse Course

Course B (3'0" Course)

5. **GREEN HUNTER** – Open to horses that have not hunted a full season
6. **GREEN HUNTER** – Reverse course.

Perpetual trophy in memory of James Hruska will be presented to the Green Hunter Champion

7. **NON TB HUNTER**
8. **NON TB HUNTER**

9. **PAIRS** – To be ridden tandem. Two fences to be jumped abreast

10. **FAMILY/GROUP CLASS** – To be ridden by 2 or more members of a family or group. Last fence to be jumped abreast

11. **OPEN FIELD HUNTER** – Open to all horses or ponies

12. **OPEN FIELD HUNTER** – Reverse Course

Course C (3'0" – 3'6" Course)

13. **OPEN FIELD HUNTER** – Open to all horses or ponies

14. **ELKRIDGE-HARFORD BOWL** – Reverse of regular course

15. **MASTER'S CLASS** – Open to all 1st and 2nd place winners from classes 1-14 (excluding classes 9 and 10). To be ridden as a "field" following a field master. Judged on performance, manners, and way of going as a field hunter. **Perpetual trophy to the winner.**

CONDITIONS

- All classes to be ridden in proper hunting attire and tack.
- Elkridge-Harford Hunter Trials are open to all.
- No schooling over the course, schooling fences will be provided.
- Trophy and 6 ribbons in each class except Master's Class.

ENTRY FEE

\$15.00 PER HORSE EACH CLASS

\$40.00 PER FAMILY/GROUP

Food will be available on the grounds.

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