

Full Cry



September 2010

View From The President's Den

*By Jay Young
President*

By the time this issue reaches you, we will probably have concluded the Hardly Able Construction effort for 2010. Bob Kinsley will be writing an article in the next issue summarizing the efforts and the accomplishments of our volunteers. Without stealing any of that thunder, I want to thank all of you who were involved in the Hardly Able effort. I particularly want to thank Bob Kinsley. You truly have no idea how much time and effort he puts into this project. Always with a notepad at the ready, he scribbles down everything he sees or hears about that needs to be repaired or replaced or new country that needs to be opened. He formulates a project list and then assembles and delivers all of the material necessary to complete each task, sometimes several weeks in advance of the effort. He commits untold personal resources and those of his company to this project. Last year I observed the "mother of all trucks" delivering a steel fabricated bridge large enough to span the stream (so as not to cause impact to either side) so as to have the decking installed by Hardly Able volunteers the next morning. It was quite the spectacle to behold. The entire Hardly Able effort is also tremendously beneficial to our landowner relations. On the project list this year were several projects specifically requested by landowners who are very grateful for the attention and the assistance. On behalf of the entire Club, I thank you, Bob, for all of the time, effort and personal resources you dedicate to the Hardly Able project.

On another topic, I hope you are reading this issue on your computer. Our Club has made a decided effort to go green. I must candidly admit that there is a financial motivation behind this decision, as well. We ask for your patience, understanding and shared commitment to this effort. Our goal is to have Full Cry produced only in an electronic format. We hope that our members who are not technologically inclined will "buddy up" with other members and perhaps obtain printed copies from the tech savvy member. We would also ask your cooperation in agreeing to receive fixture cards electronically. We will probably not be able to avoid mailing some fixture cards, as we do not have E-mail addresses for many of our landowners and friends. Because of the history and tradition of the fixture card, we will continue to mail cards to those who insist. I am reminded of one of my favorite lines from the MacIntosh/Davies history of our Club: "Meet locations will be sent by U.S. mail because telephone service is rare and uncertain." Look how far we have come.

By the time this issue reaches you we should also have embarked upon the cub hunting season. As you "get back into the groove", I urge you to revisit your Member Handbook and Directory. If you don't have one, please contact Orsia or me and we will get one to you. Re-read the Rules and Etiquette. They are very important to the successful operation of our Club. Rules of hunt field etiquette are specifically delineated, as is appropriate hunting attire, tack, etc. We are working on exciting new advances on the website which may include text message notification of hunt changes and a new list serve E-mail program. Many thanks to Kent Jordan for his dedicated assistance to this effort.

Thanks once again to all of you who helped with Hardly Able. I wish you a safe and happy cub hunting season.



Words From Our Huntsman

*By Geoffrey Hyde
Huntsman*

After last year's weather shortened season we thought we'd get a jump start this year and start roading hounds the first week in July. We have a new whipper-in, who needs to learn the country, and a bunch of exciting new horses to break in. Also last year's entry was short changed with so many missed days. With so much to do we decided to start exercise at 6:00 and considering this has been one of the hottest summers on record we're glad we did. It has been so much more pleasant for hounds, horses and people and now that we're turning the hounds loose the scenting has been great most days too. We started putting hounds into covert July 27 when we viewed a fox going into the Harford Hill corn as we hacked up Pockock Rd. Completely unplanned, we let the dog hounds surge into the corn and they ran with great cry for 20 minutes. Several cubs were viewed away but they stayed on the one that kept to the corn which enabled all the young entry to be in on the action.

Since this very early start we have been hunting four days a week, still exercising on Tuesday and Thursday. This will be our schedule until the weather gets bad, we will however, start hunting at 7:00 AM Labor Day weekend. Please remember you are more than welcome to come hound exercise on Tuesday and Thursday even after regular cub hunting starts if you have fractious or green horses or just want a quiet morning.

We will have hunted at least 16 times by the time you read this and we are off to a good start. Saturday the 14th we were in the previously mentioned corn again only this time hounds went away on one of the cubs. They ran down Pockock Rd. then back across the pastures tightly packed and with lovely music. Maybe pressed too hard, he went to ground in the brush pile behind the Harford Hill barns and all pups were there marking enthusiastically. A short run but over a nice line of country, good practice and a taste of things to come. So far all the young hounds and new horses have been coming along well and this promises to be an exciting season. We will continue to get out as early and as often as possible because who knows what this winter will bring. "Hunt more before Christmas!", an old foxhunting adage, may continue to be good advice.

Elkridge-Harford Hunt Pony Club

By Karen Bennett, DC

Elkridge-Harford Pony Club has had a very busy summer indeed. We have just returned from Championships in Lexington, Virginia, where we had 18 of Elkridge Harford Pony-clubbers represent the Maryland Region! These Pony-clubbers had to participate in the Regional Rallies and qualify for their place, by being the top placed riders/competitors in the Region. Here are the results:

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior Quiz

- Hanna & Julia Cochran – first time to Championships had a wonderful time, worked very hard, placing 20th.

Polocrosse – Novice Division

- Turner Williams / Julia Dukes – Cpt / Erika Taylor / Ginny Williams - Stable Manager (SM)
- Finished **2nd overall** and **1st in Horse Management (HM)**. Turner won the 'game ball' award – most improved rider from start to finish of Champs! Erika/Paloma had an honorable mention on the Cadillac Award (best combination). Ginny was described as the best Stable Manager in the Polo x Barn!

Dressage – First level and above Division

- Katie Miller's Team Finished **2nd overall** and **1st in HM**. Katie placed 3rd in musical freestyles.

Eventing – Training Division

- Josie Bennett- Cpt / Laura Gorrell - SM
- Finished **1st overall** and **2nd in HM**. Josie placed 2nd overall individually, with a Dressage score of 32.3, and clear XC and SJ.

Eventing – Beginner Novice Division

- Brianna Price – Cpt / Brooke Nemeč
- Finished **5th overall** and **2nd in HM**. Brianna had a Dressage score of 37.6, and clear XC and SJ. Brooke had a Dressage score of 44.8, clear XC and 4 faults SJ.

Show Jumping – Horse I – Modified Division

- Mary McGuinn (first time at Championships) – Cpt / Ashton Williams / Katie Doherty / Adrienne Clark – SM
- Finished **1st overall** and **1st in HM**. Ashton placed 1st in Equitation. Mary placed 7th in Equitation.

Show Jumping – Developing Horse and Rider Division - Team

- Emily Fox / Jenna Elliot
- Finished **3rd overall** and **7th in HM**. Emily placed 11th in Equitation. Jenna's first time to Championships.

Show Jumping – Developing Horse and Rider Division - Team 2

- Kristen Dukes
- Finished **10th overall** and **10th in HM**. Kristen placed 4th in Equitation.

We had our dedicated coaches come to Champs also, a Mega Thank you to our Mr. Bill Minor who certainly gave the Polo X team some super tips from his video analysis of the games play. Ms. Chrissy Donovan with the Eventing Teams. Ms. Kristen Wenderoth, with the Show Jumping Teams. These coaches have been working with the pony clubbers all Spring/Summer to prepare them.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THEM ALL.

SUMMER CAMP FOR D'S

Ashton and Ginny ran a wonderful Camp for our D level pony-clubbers. They had 2 days with a sleepover camp, where they covered Bandaging, Barn management, Horse care, parts of the horse, tack. They had lessons in Dressage and SJ, had fun doing mounted games, had a little Horse Show. Did swimming, tubing and fun crafts. The pony-clubbers had a super time, thank you to Ashton and Ginny for running this.

The D Pony-clubbers are now getting ready for their upcoming Rallies, they have Dressage in a few weeks, followed by Show Jumping and then Eventing.

UPPER LEVEL ACHIEVEMENTS

We had 3 Pony-clubbers achieve their Upper Level National Ratings this year. Adrienne Clark achieved her HB, now making her a C3 traditional. Ashton Williams passed her H/A now making her a H. Kira Young also passed her H/A joining Ginny, already a H/A as our two highest pony-clubbers, with only one more step to achieve their A. This is a tremendous achievement and we are very proud of them all.

HUNTER TRIALS

We will soon be setting the date for our Fall Hunter Trials, this is always a fun Event!

Remember It's Early Season

By Johnny Almond

Back to the tack again and looking forward to a great hunting season. Please remember to be aware of young puppies with your horses. There will be lots of "Reversing" and "Huntsman Please" being shouted. Remember to try to get your horses hind end turned towards the woods, corn or beans when the Huntsman, Whippers-in, Master, or field come back past you. Any horse could kick at any time and green horses will be tense. Let's look forward to a good safe year using the best traditions in fox hunting etiquette.



Musica Antiqua, Vaughn Flannery and Liriodendron Mansion!

By Maryanna Skowronski

On September 26th there will be a free concert at the historic Liriodendron Mansion (502 West Gordon Street, Bel Air) that will be of particular interest to foxhunting folk. The noted group Musica Antiqua will be performing **songs of the hunt, turf and land**. The program will feature old time hunting songs and ballads, vintage horse racing tunes, and popular songs of the era when horse sports were front page news and the accomplishments and events of horsemen and horse women were covered in the society pages on a regular basis. So if you've always wondered what *Drink Puppy Drink*, or *D'ye Ken John Peel* sound like this is the chance to hear them. Also included in the program is the premier performance of Howard Houcks' 1941 *The Ballad of Ye Harford Hunt* set to music for the first time.

Also, from 6-9 PM on September 29th a preview of the exhibition *Vaughn Flannery: A Retrospective* will be held at Liriodendron. The late Vaughn Flannery was one of America's most accomplished equestrian artists. A resident of Harford County for the bulk of his career, Flannery lived at Darlington's Cockade Farm. Noted for his images of Man O' War among other famous thoroughbreds, Flannery was also known for his portrayals of the behind the scenes life of racing. The exhibit will feature the collection of Stiles T. Colwill a long-time collector of Flannery's work. Among the paintings to be shown will be one of Dallas Leith's and the Elkridge-Harford hounds. Other images will be on loan from other private collections including one from the Virginia gallery of Turner Reuter.

The show will officially open on October 3rd and will run through December 5th. As many of Flannery's work were destroyed in the 1966 Pimlico Clubhouse fire this is a rare opportunity to see the works of a local master of equestrian art.

For information on either event contact Maryanna Skowronski at 410-838-7691 or DirectorHSHC@verizon.net Reservations for the Flannery preview are required. There is no admission fee however.



Vaughn Flannery Painting Man O'War — 1944

EHC SOCIAL CALENDAR 2010-2011

CHAIRMAN

SEPTEMBER

Sat., Sept. 4, 2010	Opening Cub Hunt Brunch	LB Boyce
Sun., Sept. 19, 2010	Puppy Auction	M.&J. Rosenkilde J.&J. Smith
Sun., Sept. 26, 2010	Annual Meeting	S. Scott

OCTOBER

Sun., Oct. 16, 2010	Hunter Trials	Ellie Williams
Sun., Oct. 16, 2010	Hunter Trials Party	M. Hamilton

NOVEMBER

Sat., Nov. 6, 2010	Opening Meet Stirrup Cup	C. Tanzola
Sat., Nov. 6, 2010	Opening Meet Evening Party	
Tues., Nov. 16, 2010	Christmas Bazaar - Club	P. Smalley
Thurs., Nov. 25, 2010	Thanksgiving Hunt - Blessing of Hounds	
Fri., Nov. 26, 2010	Children's Hunt	
Sat., Nov. 27, 2010	New Members Hunt Tea	J. & O. Young

Hunt Attire and Saddle for Sale

- Canary yellow man's vest, size 44, \$75
- Men's hunt coat, light to medium weight black RJ Classic hunt coat, size 44, \$175
- Steubbin "Roxanne", 18", nearly new, \$900

Please call 410-440-6140 with your best offer





The 20th Annual EHC Horse and Pony Show

By Nancy Hockaday

August 7, 2010 marked the 20th anniversary of the Elkridge-Harford Hunt Club Horse and Pony Show. Once again the first Saturday in August granted our show lovely weather. The week prior to the show we received a little rain to green the grass and soften the ground, while the break in the high temperatures and humidity helped fuel the flow of entries. I mention this because another local show, scheduled a week before ours actually had to cancel their event due to the extreme temperatures and lack of entries.

Thanks to countless volunteers, friends and EHC staff the Club grounds were manicured to perfection, the show rings were beautifully decorated and the Trophy Table, adorned with fresh flowers, sparkled in the sunlight.

To mark our 20th year there was a display of photographs, some dating back to our first show in 1991, on display at the exhibitor, volunteer, sponsor reception tent. As seen in these photos the show grounds have come a long way since that first Saturday in August 20 years ago. To further celebrate our anniversary Marilyn and G.E. Atterbury were hosts to an afternoon reception to thank all the volunteers, exhibitors and sponsors past and present.

These are the show highlights featuring our EHC exhibitors:

Caroline McKnight aboard her "Marshmallow" was reserve champion in the Leadline 5 to 7 years old division. Alex Vest riding her "Hot Fudge Sundae" was reserve champion in the Long Stirrup division. Ross Mace dominated the Small Pony Hunter division winning both the champion and reserve champion aboard his "Talk To The Hoof" and "What About Me" respectfully.

Charlie Noell's "Hero" ridden by Jade Hubbard was reserve champion in the Open Hunter division.

The Field Hunter division champion went to Charlie Noell's "Rumor" also ridden by Jade Hubbard with the reserve champion going to Katie Cree aboard South Branch Farm's "Lucky Strike"

First place in the always exciting Hunt Teams Class was secured by Katie Cree riding South Branch Farm's "Lucky Strike", Katie Kinsley aboard her "Final Flourish" and Jade Hubbard on Charlie Noell's "Rumor". EHC handily swept the Field Hunter and Hunt Teams competition!

Nine year old Ross Mace piloted his pony "Talk To The Hoof" past all other Club members to win the High Point EHC Member Rider Perpetual Trophy. This award is given to the EHC member or immediate family member who accumulates the most points in the show.

Turner Williams was presented with the Frances Pitts Memorial Perpetual Trophy for the EH Pony Club member who exhibited exemplary sportsmanship at the EHC Horse Show.

EHC special friend and the youngest member of the horse show committee, nine year old Elizabeth Scully riding her "Hi Hopes Dream With Me" was reserve champion in the Medium Pony Hunter division. After winning a trophy two years ago Elizabeth and her mother Fran developed an interest in the workings of the EHC Horse Show. They have been helping retrieve the 34 perpetual trophies from past recipients ever since. This year young Elizabeth (along with her mom) spent all day at the show documenting and presenting these trophies to this year's winners.

Now to cut to the chase and answer the most asked question, how did the horse show do? Monies generated by entries, \$8,656.00, were down by 23% from the 2009 horse show. After talking with all three of our horse show judges, two from Virginia, their comments verified that show entries have been off across the board at every event this year.

With the help of generous sponsorship and advertising generating \$2,525 and expenses remaining about the same at \$4,620.00 the total profit from the show was approximately \$6,561.

Thank you to all the volunteers, many not even Club members, sponsors and advertisers whose support and enthusiasm for the 20th anniversary of the EHC Horse Show clearly translated into a successful day with fun had by all.

The EHC Horse Show Committee

On a more personal note I would like to say that after 20 years I am retiring as co-chair of the EHC Horse Show. I would be happy, she says with a grin and poking a little fun at herself, to share with anyone interested, my many lists and color coding systems. I say this now because I traditionally order the ribbons in December to capture the 10% discount and hire the judges by Jan 1st to "capture" them for the first Saturday in August.

Co-Chairing the EHC Horse Show has gifted me with incalculable fond memories and rich experiences. I have gotten to know Club members and friends on a level that I would not have if not for my participation in this EHC fundraising event. The friendships that have grown from this endeavor are truly cherished.

Thank you,
Nancy Hockaday

Elkridge-Harford Hounds

September 2010

All meets 7:00 AM-subject to change

Sat. 4 th	The Club-Opening Meet
Mon. 6 th	Andor Farm
Weds. 8 th	Hanlon House
Sat. 11 th	Atlanta Hall
Mon. 13 th	Hanlon House
Weds. 15 th	Verdant Valley
Sat. 18 th	Carroll Branch
Mon. 20 th	Sycamore
Weds 22 ⁿ	Foxfire Farm
Sat. 25 th	Gunpowder Springs
Mon. 27 th	Manor Hill
Weds. 29 th	White Farm

In case of inclement weather or bye days call 410-692-544

Joint-Masters

Mrs. H. Turney McKnight Mr. Thomas H. Voss
Mr. Robert A. Kinsley

Hunt Secretary

Mrs. Carl Shaffer

Caution ~ Hound & Horse Crossing

By Bill Pearce

You are all aware that when we cross the Pike on Pock Road the chance of a hound, horse and or human becoming part of the grill of a speeding car or truck is rather high. Thanks to our intrepid road warriors acting as crossing guards we are able to cross safely. In order to increase their visibility I have placed two red road construction flags on a hook on the back side of our resident crossing guard (Sy's) fence just at the corner.

Many thanks to all of our road warriors. Please use these to enhance everyone's safety, but more importantly your own. Also there are two red flags in the hound truck behind the seat. Be safe.

Historical Society of Harford County Features EHC Member Joseph Tydings

Long time Elkridge-Harford member and former United States Senator Joseph Tydings will be the featured guest at the 125th Anniversary Celebration Dinner of the Historical Society of Harford County. The dinner is being held at Maryland Golf and Country Clubs in Bel Air on Thursday, September 23rd at 6:30 PM. There will be musical entertainment and hors d'oeuvres will be followed by a three course dinner. Joe Tydings will speak about historic Oakington, the former Tydings family estate in Havre de Grace and of the many notable national political figures who passed through its doors over several decades. Tickets to the event are \$48 per person. For more information call 410-838-7691.

Saddles for Sale

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Reynard
says Plan to attend The Manor Conservancy
Photography Exhibit - Opening Reception & Preview Sale
Sat. Oct. 23 at 6:30 pm / Exhibit & Sale Sunday Oct. 24 1-4 pm.
More Info to follow here & at
www.themanorconservancy.org
photography by Dave Gigliotti



Keep Those Articles Coming

By Julia Smith, Editor

Thanks for all the articles, ads and pictures to date—they have been greatly appreciated! For October it would be fun to hear from someone about their favorite hound, meet, horse, hunt, or day! Please send in articles for our next issue no later than September 20th.

I would also like to personally thank Maryanna Skowronski for helping monthly with our publication by providing me with a second set of eyes before the publication is released, and Kent Jordan for all his help in moving us forward with our paperless publication.

Remember send your articles to me at viking48@earthlink.net or give a call to 410-404-7071.