



BULL RUN HUNT



NEIL'S BIG DAY IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE! STARTED OUT WITH 2ND FLIGHT, BUT MOVED UP TO 1ST FLIGHT.

HE SAID, WITH A BIG GRIN, "SO THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN MISSING!"

NEIL HAD BEEN RIDING GABBY SOME IN LESSONS AND SHORT TRAILRIDES, BUT THIS WAS HIS FIRST TIME HUNTING HER. APPARENTLY IT WON'T BE THEIR LAST TOGETHER AS HE WANTS TO GO OUT AGAIN.

Bull Run Hunt's Junior Day - What a Blast!

On December 29, we had our largest turnout for a Junior Hunt in Bull Run History. There were over 80 riders in the field with more than 40 Juniors. First flight was led by Dalton Cooke who kept Sr Field Master, Joe Kincheloe working hard to keep up with his little Palomino mare. I'm still not sure if Joe followed Dalton over the large tree jump at the top of Cedar Mountain!

Second flight was led by Kassie Faulconer on Adrianna Waddy's horse, Blaise. With Adrianna's help and a radio, she was able to stay right with first flight for most of the day.

Third flight was led by Kacie Lamb on Fiona Tustian's pony, Danny, with help from Charlie Selby.

All three flights joined in on a good run around the corn field near Roland's Barn. Camryn Clore on her horse Charmer whipped-in with MFH Rosie Campbell. It was a pretty easy day for the pair until the hounds hit on the 4:00 fox. Then it was back and forth over the mountain as dark was falling.

Billy Frederick and Andrew Campbell, owner of Croftburn Market, provided a wonderful stirrup cup complete with

fried sausage and egg sandwiches, brats and venison sausage before the hunt. "Uncle Wess" Resor entertained everyone with his stories while cooking!

Central Virginia Insurance provided a fabulous breakfast for members, guests and juniors in the dark at the end of the day.

Thanks to everyone who helped put this event on and a special thanks to all the members, juniors, parents and coaches for participating in this fun day at Bull Run Hunt!!!

BRH Hospitality

Bull Run Hunt has long been known as the most fun hunt in Virginia. We may be gaining notoriety as the hunt with the greatest hospitality also. Not only have Greg and the hounds provided us with great sport in December and January, but members have also provided us with great hospitality before and after the hunt.

On Dec 17, in addition to putting on a fabulous Christmas Party at our Clubhouse, members provided a delicious breakfast after the Joint Meet with Loudon Hunt at Bill and Lindy Sanford's Arrowpoint Farm. If you did not get to sample Debbie Hill's Fried Ham Biscuits – you missed out! They were truly decadent!

Our New Year's Eve Hunt at Locust Hill ended with a Traditional North Carolina BBQ provided by Mike and Betty Long with help from the Locust Hill Foxes Breakfast Team.

Monday, January 2nd, we hunted from Winston Springs. Instead of staying in the sloppy conditions between Winston Road and the Kennels, the hounds pursued a fox on a long run toward Culpeper. Meredith and Jerrie Wade had a hot Beef Stew waiting for us when we returned.

On Thursday, January 5, Billy and Bucky Hill invited everyone to Belle Plaine for a Breakfast before the Hunt! Beef Tenderloin Sandwiches and side dishes, catered by Smitty's BBQ! It was hard to leave food that delicious when the hounds moved off at 1:00!!!

On Saturday, Jan 7, The Blue Breakfast Team provided a breakfast at the Preserve Cabin which included sausages and venison stew made by Kevin McKenna who is currently recovering from a riding injury he suffered earlier in the season. Kevin, we are sorry that you are not able to ride – but we really appreciate your good cooking! There was also a birthday cake for Jim Craig – Happy Birthday Jim!

Monday, January 9 was a cold day of hunting at Mike and Nancy Baudiin's Summerduck Farm but our hosts warmed us up at the end of the day with one of their famous stews.

On Thursday, January 12, we hosted a Joint Meet with Potomac Hunt. Julie Williamson and the ladies from Step at a Time Farm organized an unbelievable breakfast.

Saturday, January 14, Shack and Jane invited us to their home, Brampton, for the second year, for a joint meet with Keswick Hunt. After 5 hours of serious hunting, members finally made it back to a breakfast which included the tiniest, tastiest sausage biscuits you have ever eaten, a wonderful stew, sinful desserts and a drink called "Black Velvet."

We were not even halfway through the month!!!

On Saturday, January 21, only 11 hardy staff and members braved the cold and icy conditions to hunt from the Clubhouse. With several foxes running, the hounds, staff, and field ran steadily for about 2 hours. Mike Long, MFH, called it a day around noon. The Brown Derby Team, knowing that Bull Run Hunt never cancels, had coffee, stews, salad and dessert waiting on the group when they arrived back at the Clubhouse.

On Thursday, January 26, we hunted from Peter Martin and Lynn Freeman's Little Winter Farm. Foxes and hounds kept huntsman Greg Schwartz working hard trying to decide which fox to chase. Your author did little to help as I unintentionally pushed Greg and his horse into a hot fence. Greg was gracious and did not ask me to leave the field!! Thank you Greg!!! Senior Field Master, Joe Kincheloe, called it a day around 4:00 when the hunted fox ran towards the river into Keswick Territory. Lynn Freeman had a hot Sausage Gumbo waiting for us as we arrived back at the meet. Peter Martin has done a fabulous job clearing the trails so that this fixture is now very accessible for hunting. Thank you Lynn and Peter!

Finally, on Saturday, Jan 28, we hunted from Richard Harris's Hawfield. We missed seeing Richard but had a great day of hunting. A big red fox had us running up and down the mountain and twice over a large coop that my pony and I never wish to jump again!!! The Red Breakfast Team had cheese and crackers, ham and bean soup, and plenty of desserts ready for us when we returned to the clubhouse at Hawfield.

We still have 2 months of hunting and entertaining to go! If you haven't been out – what are you waiting for? The February fixture card is available on the website and plans are in the works for our Point-to-Point Races and March Madness. The season will soon be over. Don't miss out on lots of fun hunting!!

Kristi Clore

BRH Honorary Secretary

DON'T FORGET THE RACES AND MARCH MADNESS!



THESE EVENTS ARE MAJOR FUNDRAISERS FOR BULL RUN HUNT. WE ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS FIND A WAY TO HELP OUT OUR CLUB SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO BE THE MOST FUN, THE MOST FRIENDLY, AND THE MOST HUNTINGEST HUNT IN VIRGINIA!!!



THE CLORES ARE OUT IN FORCE!

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: CAMRYN, DAVID, KRISTI, LOGAN AND CARLY

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