

Bull Run Hunt News

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Hunting Culpeper, Orange, Madison, and Spotsylvania Counties



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Important Dates & Reminders

July 29: Workday, Meet at kennels 8:30 a.m.
July 30: Workday Hunt, Cedar Mountain Farm, 5:00 p.m.
August 10: BRH Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
August 19: BRH Trail Ride at Simms Place, 9:00 a.m.
September 2: First day of cubbing
September 3: BRH Trail Ride at Birmingham, 9:00 a.m.
September 9: Landowners Party (details coming soon)
September 17: BRH Fun Hunter Pace at Peacock
October 14: Opening Meet
December 9: Christmas Party
February 17, 2007: Hunt Ball



Joe's Notes

Where has the summer gone? It seems like only last week that the season was over. Now pre-cubbing is already nearly upon us, which consists of taking hounds out with puppies and hunting informally for a half to one hour (depending on weather and scenting). Everyone is welcome to come out for pre-cubbing, but remember that this activity is 100% devoted to hounds and their training. Meanwhile, hounds are being walked 4-6 times a week and are doing well.

Our first official day of cubbing is September 2, and Opening Meet is October 14.

We have been very busy lately building new jumps, repairing existing jumps, and opening trails. So far, we have either rebuilt or put in 13 jumps. Capt. John and Travis Toms have been busy this summer on the kennel upgrades and repairs. Mike Long continues to head up the Clubhouse renovations, which are nearly complete. The last big piece—the bar that is being custom-built for us—is being crafted now and will hopefully soon be on its way to us.

I look forward to seeing all members, new and old, at a couple of our workdays before hunting begins. There is a workday every Wednesday and occasional Saturdays. Come out and help us get our territory in tip-top shape for the upcoming season. To learn what tasks are on the agenda and to sign up for a day, give Greg Schwartz a call at 540.829.6028.

Joe

From the Editor

Thanks for all content submitted for the Web site and newsletter—keep sending them to Carole Pivarnik at mulelady@bullrunhunt.com. To get BRH's weekly email announcements, email Cathy Marco at cathy@bullrunhunt.com.

Captain John's Notes

I'd like to start with a few thank-you's. First, a big round of applause for all the folks who have helped out with mowing and weed whacking at the Clubhouse so far this Spring and Summer, including Gordon Smith, Travis Toms, Fiona Tustian, Chris Long, Carole and Mike Pivarnik

If anyone else is interested in signing up, please get in touch with me. A mowing workday is a great way to support your Hunt.

Many thanks to Walt Holloway for all his hard work at the Kennels and Kennel House.

Thanks also to Cameron Smith Toms for her great job of straightening up and organizing the Clubhouse and Hunt office there. Now that we have a dedicated office space, we are interested in collecting in one spot any old information, records, pictures, letters, etc. It is hoped that much of this information can be used to prepare for the Hunt's upcoming 100-year anniversary. If you have any such records or information, please give them to me or to Cameron.

Captain John

Membership News

Membership letters are going out soon—if they haven't already. Your dues are a primary source of Hunt income. Please send them in as soon as possible to allow the Hunt to continue to cover its expenses.

In case you don't receive or misplace your membership letter, it will be available for download from the Web site once it has been sent by regular mail to the membership.

If you know of anyone who would like to join Bull Run Hunt either as a Subscriber or Hunt Supporter, please let Hon. Secretary Karen Trimmer know.