

# Bull Run Hunt News

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Hunting Culpeper, Orange, Madison, and  
Spotsylvania Counties



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## Upcoming Events

- **10/8-10: Hound Performance Trials**
- **10/13: BRH Opening Meet**
- **10/16: Board Meeting**
- **10/22: BRH hosts Virginia Hunt Week**

## Notes from Joe

Hunting is in full swing with exceptionally good hunting even with the dry conditions. Hounds have been going out three times a week since August.

Again, I want to thank Dick Bickel for taking on the huge task of building jumps and clearing trails.

Please don't forget the Performance Trial on October 9-10. If you can only go for one day, please try to make it our day (the 10<sup>th</sup>, at The Preserve) as we want to have the best possible showing for Bull Run Hunt. Lindy Sanford is looking for volunteers to help.

Belle Meade will be staying over after the Performance Trial to have joint meets with us on October 11 and 13.

Opening Meet is again at Birmingham on the 13<sup>th</sup>, and we'll be hosting Virginia Hunt Week on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you can lend a hand at either meet—particularly at VHW—please let me or one of our other Masters know.

Remember to keep smiling because we are going to have fun!

## Joe

## Performance Trial

Rappahannock and Bull Run Hunts are hosting the Virginia MFHA Centennial Performance Hound Trial on October 9 & 10. Prices for participation have been reduced from previously published fees. Dinner only on Monday or Tuesday is \$50. Hunting, hunt breakfast, dinner, and hound show (Tuesday) or awards (Wednesday) is \$100/day, or \$200/both days. Cartopping is \$50/day. Details are available on the Bull Run Hunt web site at <http://www.bullrunhunt.com>.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to assist judges, serve as bartenders, provide after-dinner clean-up, assist trial clerks, and perform other vital duties. Volunteers get to attend dinners free. Please contact Lindy Sanford at 540.672.5236 if you can serve as a volunteer at this high-profile event.

## Captain John's Foxhunting Clinic

Cub hunting ("training season") is drawing to a close and now it's time for a "scrimmage." Captain John is offering a free foxhunting clinic at Freedom Fields on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007. New and returning members are welcome and encouraged to attend in order to brush up on their hunting skills as well as etiquette before Opening Meet (October 13<sup>th</sup>). Emphasis in this clinic will be on:

- Managing your horse
- Proper turnout for horse and rider
- Foxhunting etiquette

Please be mounted by 8:30 (30 minutes in advance of the 9:00 meet time) and be ready to learn in a fun and informal environment with Captain John and his assistant, Karen Rice.

## Changing of the Collar

*Submitted by Abby Harper*

Thanks to many people, the first annual **Changing of the Collar** to benefit the Bull Run Hunt hounds was a HUGE success--in addition to being a lot of fun! Members and guests were able to name puppies through silent auction bidding and also sponsor first-year entries through live bidding as Greg ceremoniously changed their collars from puppy to hound.

As the chair of the event and a relatively new member, I wasn't sure what to expect, but the response was overwhelming--both from people asking to volunteer beforehand as well as spending generously at the event. We were able to raise over \$5,000 at this single event! Next year, the event will be even bigger and better and every bit as fun.

A very special thanks to Adrianna Cowan-Waddy, Cathy Marco and Betty Long for their invaluable help in planning and organizing this event! The next time you see them, please thank them for their hard work. I'd also like to thank everyone who brought food or helped out in any way. This event could not have been nearly as successful without the spirit of teamwork that is so pervasive in Bull Run Hunt.

If you weren't able to make it to the event, but would still like to make a donation to the Bull Run Hound fund, please do so any time! Every little bit helps. Just enclose a note with your donation or write "BRH Hound Fund" in the memo area of your check.



*Huntsman Greg Schwartz changes a bound's collar at Bull Run's first annual Changing of the Collar event*

## The Bull Run Hound Fund

### What is the Bull Run Hunt Hound Fund?

First and foremost, this fund has been created to ensure our hounds have access to quality medical and emergency care. As the fund grows, we will be able to make special purchases for the hounds, such as a new trailer. Many hunts throughout Virginia have these separate funds for their hounds. Bull Run Hunt is proud to announce the creation of this fund for 2007!

### Why should I give to the Bull Run Hunt Hound Fund?

Without our hounds, we have no sport. They deserve the best care that we, as a group, are able to provide for them. By giving a little extra toward the hounds, you can

help ensure they will stay strong, happy and healthy to chase the fox another day.

## Fun Hunter Pace

The Fun Hunter Pace was held on Sunday, September 16. 45 teams of riders competed over the approximately 6 mile course. Results (thank you, Chris Allen!) were as follows:

### Hunt Division: Optimum Time 56:43

1. Sandra Worsham, Caron Stowell
2. Mary Potter, Debbie Hunt, Tinker Lyman
3. Shelly & Mark Thompson, Mary Clair
4. Charles Ross team
5. Patty Reiff team
6. Sarah Altman, Jennifer Hanblin

### Junior Division: Optimum Time 1:27:55

1. Betsy Parker's Students
2. Bickel Team
3. Summer Duck Farm Team
4. Laura & Keeley Cooley
5. Stacy & Little Neil Donnelly, Kaitlyn Gill
6. Jackie Toal Team

### Pleasure/Western Division: Optimum Time 1:11:13

1. Nancy Neville, Rama Rodelas
2. Virginia LaRoque, Mirian Shillings
3. Susan Monticelli, Roger Dickerson
4. Cindy Dodson, Barbara Hebler
5. Lisa and Jennifer Bates
6. Kathy Jayne, Caroline Clapman

Links to pictures are available on the Bull Run Hunt web site at <http://www.bullrunhunt.com>. If names of participants are incorrectly spelled, please let Carole Pivarnik, [mulelady@bullrunhunt.com](mailto:mulelady@bullrunhunt.com), know.

## Call for Clubhouse Volunteers

Adrianna Cowan-Waddy is asking members to lend a hand in keeping the Clubhouse in tip-top shape. We have a beautiful facility and it needs a little TLC from time to time to keep it beautiful. If you can spend a couple of hours doing basic cleaning (vacuuming, dusting, tidying) or can hire someone to do it for you, please let Adrianna know. She'd like to sign up volunteers (or a group of volunteers) for each month—similar to the way Captain John handles volunteers for mowing at the Clubhouse. Adrianna can be reached at 540.854.4884.