



The Bridlespur Hunt

March 2008



OUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS DAVID & GARRY MOVE ON TO NEW ADVENTURES

Hill n' Hound Farms, LLC has been a fixture for The Bridlespur Hunt for many years. So many good memories and history stem from our relationship with David Jeffery and Garry Pregler. Although we are sad to see them sell their property we only wish them the best in their future endeavors. The real estate will be auctioned on March 7 in 9 parcels

QPEE TRIVIA NIGHT ALL SOLD OUT!!!

Thank you all for the enthusiastic response to our invitation of the Trivia Night Extravaganza! At this time, **all of the tables (25 of them) are sold out!** As it turns out, the QPEE Trivia Night Extravaganza is the place to be on March 8! For those attending, remember, we will provide you with some wine, soda, water and snacks. Yum! But if you want to bring *anything* else to eat or drink, please feel free! It is a BYOB/Food event.

Harwoods Honored by USEF

Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Harwood were awarded the Pegasus Medal of Honor at the USEF Convention. The Pegasus Medal of Honor was created as an annual award to recognize individuals who have exhibited outstanding service to horses and the sport. Through their dedication, recipients of the Pegasus Medal of Honor have attracted people to the sport and contributed to horse sports by advancing its popularity.



David O'Connor presents the prestigious award to the Harwoods as their son looks on.

Don't forget to renew your hunting license

<https://www3.wildlifelicense.com/mo/>

Lighten the Load

(A note from President, Mary Hensel)

At last year's Annual Meeting, a new program was presented to the membership. In light of all the work that has to be done for our club. We instituted a minimum of volunteer hours per year. We have a fabulous membership that is fun loving, creative and generous. Our thought was that the work could be spread across the membership base without over taxing the few. We felt a minimum of 18 hours (three 6 hour days) for hunting members and 6 hours for social members was appropriate. This put the majority of the load on those that use the property the most. We also knew that some members would gladly pay to utilize their time otherwise. We estimated an hour of work would cost our club \$10. We felt comfortable we could find manual labor at that price. The "year" runs from annual meeting to annual meeting. Please report your hours to Leslie Ayers prior to April 16th.

Teaming with Wildlife to Hold Rally

Saturday, June 7th will be the date for an informational Rally held at the University of Columbia from 10-4. Teaming With Wildlife is a coalition of over 5,500 groups working together for wildlife conservation, education and outdoor recreation. .

This is a good opportunity to see what direction our state is heading.

For more information contact:

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Humane Society of Missouri to Hold Annual "Bark in the Park"

Gather your friends, family and co-workers and support our homeless animals. If you are not already signed up for Bark in the Park 2008 on May 17th visit the Missouri Humane Society Website and get involved! A team has been formed and named "Doggie Divas" You can go online and join in the walk or simply make a small donation. We all love our pooches and it should be a great day. For information call Jane Liesmann °314-420-4910



"It's a Dog's World"

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 12 Hunt Calhoun County

**March 15-&16 Three Creek Bassets
Gold Cup**

March 20 Western Challenge

March 22 Closing Hunt & Closing party

March 30 St. Jude Chairity Ride @ BHC

April 5 BHC Hunter Pace

April 16 BHC Annual Meeting

April 18 -20 BHC Schooling show

May 31- June 1 BHC Horse Show

June 22 BHC Hunter Pace-Greensfelder

Western Challenge Tour Schedule

<http://www.westernchallenge.org/>

- Thursday March 20 Bridlespur Hunt
Kane, IL
- Friday travel approx 402 miles
- Saturday March 22 North Hills Hunt
Omaha, NE
- Sunday travel approx 500 miles
- Monday March 24 Knoxville Hunt Lusk,
WY
- Tuesday travel approx 325 miles
- Wednesday March 26 Arapahoe Hunt
Aurora, CO
- Thursday March 27 Rest Day
- Friday March 28 Ft. Carson Hounds
Colorado Springs, CO
- Saturday travel approx 300 miles
- Sunday travel approx 300 miles
- Monday March 31 Grand Canyon Hounds
Flagstaff, AZ
- Tuesday April 1 Kingsbury Harriers
Flagstaff, AZ
- Wednesday April 2 Paradise Valley
Beagles Flagstaff, AZ
- Travel part of day 200 miles
- Thursday Travel 400 miles
- Friday April 4 Los Altos Hounds Santa
Maria, CA
- Saturday April 5 Santa Ynez Valley
Hounds Santa Maria, CA
- Santa Ynez Hunt Ball
- Sunday travel approx 450 miles
- Monday April 7 Red Rock Hounds Reno,
NV

Bridlespur Fun

2008's Super bowl brought Bridlespur members and friends together at Max and Jill's home. Food, cocktails and conversation were sometimes more popular than the game.... Who won anyway????



L-R Steve and Tess Fleischli and Lee Deutsch. Max's snake, Ripley, kept everyone entertained.



Jill finds it hard to contain herself.
"It's my Party"

LET'S SUPPORT OUR BASSETERS

Three Creek Bassets will have their Gold Cup and Ball the weekend of March 15 & 16. The competition is quite a sight. Our own Eleanor Hartwell will be the huntsman. Contact Lei Ruckle or Gene Deutsch for details.

More Party Fun



L-R Joe Giavanoni -Gene Deutsch- Jean and Abby Mutrux (Mary Hensel in background)



Jay and Sue enjoy the best seats in the house in Max and Jill's Theatre

A LETTER FROM DENNIS FOSTER, MFHA

Ireland is under siege by the animal rights movement to ban hunting. There is poll going on in Ireland. PETA has found out about the poll and is trying to highjack it, PETA's members from the USA are sending emails to vote to Ban hunting. The results have not been good with PETA reversing a strong lead by foxhunters. You can vote as many times as you like. Please help our Irish Brothers and vote to save foxhunting at <http://www.ireland.com/head2head>

Thank you,
Dennis Foster
Executive Director, MFHA

WESTERN CHALLENGE SCHEDULE FOR BRIDLESPUR

Bridlespur kicks off the 2008 Western Challenge Hunt Tour

Stabling will be available at Hill n' Hound. The dinner will start at 6:30 PM on March 19th. We will be having a no-host party at The Brass Door in Carrollton. This is a splendid chance to meet the judges, Grosvenor Merle-Smith and Adrian Dangar.

Goettin's Sierra Motel has single and double rooms available, so call them at 217-942-5012 to make arrangements.

The hunt will be on Thursday the 20th. Time is TBD depending on weather. (It has not cooperated in the past!)

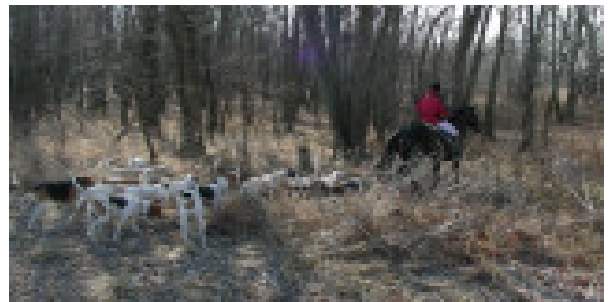
Last year, we won the lovely hound trophy that is sitting in front of the mirror at the clubhouse. This was for raising the largest amount of capping fee donations. Remember, all money raised goes to the Challenge's winner's charity of choice. Please contact Mary Hensel, if you have any questions or need additional information

CLOSING PARTY

It is hard to imagine hunt season is almost over. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Milbaugh will be our hosts for the March 22, 2008 party which will follow our last hunt of the season at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!!!

Whitmoor Country Club site of 2008 BHC Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for April 16th. Mr. & Mrs. Werner Kugler will again host the Annual meeting of The Bridlespur Hunt Club. Election of Board Members will head the agenda. It is import to attend and voice your thoughts. Dinner will be \$16.00 and a cash bar will be available.



Hats off to Eleanor and hounds for showing us good sport this season.