



The Bridlespur Hunt

September 2009

New Member

Bridlespur is excited to welcome another new member. Lauren Reitz recently moved to the St. Louis area from Pennsylvania. She is a graduate of Penn State in Aeronautical Engineering. She is new to foxhunting but is very excited to learn. She has been out roading several times with her Paint mare Roxy.



Lauren Reitz and Roxy (first day of cubbing)

September 12th – Bridlespur Hunter Pace

We had 49 riders, a delicious lunch organized by Marilyn Carney, and a fabulous course laid out by Eleanor. Thanks to those that helped. The course was 7.75 miles long and offered great variety.

Medical Cards

Don't forget to fill out your medical cards and keep them in your coat pocket. They were included in a recent mailing.

Gerri Washausen wins Reserve Champion at the American Eventing Championships

Jill Wagenknecht and Gerri Washausen travelled up to The American Eventing Championships in St. Charles Illinois to compete. The event was held at the fabulous Lamplight Equestrian Center. The American Eventing Championships is an elite event. It is an accomplishment just to qualify to compete. Gerri was leading the pack after dressage but unfortunately had some time faults on Cross Country which dropped her to second. She had a clean stadium and maintained her second place. She and Darth came home from the event with a Reserve Champion neck ribbon, Area IV Adult Rider low score neck ribbon, a bag full of loot, a fabulous monogrammed AEC cooler, Fits breeches, SSG gloves, Nutrena Feed, a \$300 gift certificate to Saratoga Horse Works and a check for \$750. Way to go Gerri!



New Brunch Policy

Reminder that there is a new brunch policy this year. Hunting members will be assigned a day to be in charge of the brunch. Plan on lunch for approximately 25 people. If you cannot do it that day you are responsible for trading or finding another member to cover that day. Check the letter that comes with your fixture card each month to see if you have an assigned date that month.

Please make sure Staff has had a chance to eat prior to having seconds at Brunch.

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At the recent St. Louis National Horse Show, Abby Mutrux was Saddle & Bridle Senior, Pleasure Medallion reserve champion.

Deer Hunting

The new property has plenty of game. We Please contact Ron Ausman 618-458-7396 if you are interested in deer hunting on our property. Firearms season is November 14th through 24th this year. Ron is responsible for coordinating all non-foxhunting hunting so if you are interested in any type of hunting give him a call or email ausman_ronald@bah.com.

There will be a Deer Hunters meeting at Noon on Saturday October 3rd. Terry Cowell is helping to coordinate the deer hunting activities this year and is hosting a meeting at the clubhouse this Saturday. Please come a bit early for lunch. If you cannot make it, please contact him at 314-845-9838 or 314-825-2015 to cover his discussion items.

New Sign



Bridlespur has a new sign made by Tim Pinkston. Tim has been a Social Hunting member for the past two years. He has done much work around the club; Cut trails for Eleanor, put in our circle drive by the club house, repaired the dam by the Slurry Pond, cleaned up all old buildings by the Hog Farm and many other projects.

The name of his company is **Distinguished Contracting**. He lives in the Wentzville area and does all sorts of outdoor contracting work.



He donated his own time, equipment and labor to set our new club sign in place. He took his bobcat into our creeks and selected the stone set around the base of the sign. It is a very natural look using material from our property.

Cubbing

We have just started Cubbing and Eleanor has already shown us good sport. Two coyotes were viewed by the field recently while hunting at Sue and Jay Marshall's Cedar Valley Farm.

Silent Auction

We have a silent auction as part of our Hunt Ball. This is fun and exciting for everyone. If you have anything you would like to donate please contact Kevin Parentin or Ron Ausman by October 25th. Remember, this is an important fundraising activity for Bridlespur.

Iowa Hunt Week

Moingona Hunt is sponsoring an Iowa Hunt Week from October 11-18th. Seven Hunts and a hunt ball in eight days! Five different hound packs. For more information check their website www.themoingonahunt.org or Contact MFH R. Dixon Appel at horseycoc@aol.com

Shawnee Hounds

Shawnee will be hunting at Pyramid State Park, every Saturday in October at 1PM. It's an easy drive from St. Louis and a good opportunity to meet other foxhunters in the area. The Shawnee foxhunters are very friendly and fun. Capping fee is \$50. Contact hunt secretary Kerry Couch for more information WarrenCou8@aol.com

Bridlespur Hunt Ball Save the Date!

Saturday November 14th
Meadowbrook Country Club, Ballwin, MO

Upcoming Events

October 3rd – Deer Hunters meeting

November 7th – Formal Opening Hunt and Blessing of the Hounds. Three Creek Bassets will also be blessed 30 minutes after the Foxhounds. **Please RSVP to Marilyn Carney 314-963-1679**

November 14th – Bridlespur Hunt Ball – Meadowbrook Country Club

November 15th – Queeny Park Hunter Pace. http://www.qpee.org/downloads/qpee_2009_fall_hunter_pace.pdf

Don't forget to check the hotline for any changes in hunt schedule 573-485-4942.

Reminder

Please be mounted on your horse and ready to go 10 minutes prior to the posted time for the hunt meet.

Classifieds

Electro-Groom horse vacuum - New they are \$599.00. This one is about 10 years old. Lightly used. Works great. (has a little rust from sitting in barn) . Asking \$200.00. Contact Leslie Ayers layers@centurytel.net 636-398-8099

Hunt Horse – 7 year old paint horse gelding 16H, has hunted two seasons and evented, great on trails. \$4500 Contact Leslie Granger 314-306-0341 Lesliegra@aol.com

Newsletter articles

Please send any of your thoughts, accomplishments, or any other suggestions for articles to: LeslieGra@aol.com

You may also send Hunt related classifieds.