



Secretary's Corner

The July 5, 2016 meetings will be held at the home of Donna and Jeff Hurst
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The Board will meet at 7:00 PM followed at 8:00 PM by the Membership.

As always, please feel free to bring snacks.
Brenda Simmons, Hon. Secretary

Calendar of Events

July 5 - Glenmore Meetings
July 9 - Trail Ride
July 23 - Foxhunting Clinic
August 8 - Clay Shoot Social
August 27 - Glenmore FUN Horse Show
September 10 - Cubbing Begins

From the President

We are full into summer activities. By the time you read this newsletter we will have had our very successful Murder Mystery Ride. I would like to thank all of those that volunteered their time to help put on such a great event. Looking forward to next year's ride!

Recently an email was sent out with the updated membership Roster and list of committees. Please remember to check that list and plan on attending those committee meetings and helping out any way you can. Of course you are always welcome to help on any committee. This is a membership run organization and it only runs smoothly when we have good membership participation. All of you do a great job pitching in when needed. Thanks!

MaryLee McDavid, President

Master's Corner

One of the questions I often get from people who have not hunted is "What kind of horse do I need?" For those who have been hunting, you are quick to realize that this is one of those questions that is so specific to the person riding that there is not one answer. From my perspective, the answer is pretty simple. It should be a horse that that individual would feel safe on in the many circumstances that are presented in the hunt field. A good field hunter is one of those special horses, and what is good for one is not necessarily good for the next. For those who are hunting they know that a good hunt horse is literally worth their weight in gold. Hunting is not all about how fast you can run or how high you jump, but whether at the end of the day, have you enjoyed those many aspects that envelope the hunting experience. Central to this is to have a horse that is listening to you and that you can trust. This is one of the central themes for the Foxhunting Clinic. I would also urge you to take some time during the off season to work with your horse doing those things that make for a safer and more enjoyable day. I am sure that each of us has something that we can work on. I know I do.

As noted in the President's message there are numerous activities planned for the summer. Some are horse related and some are not. Check the calendar. These are a good opportunity to get to know our members and introduce potential members. Besides the trail ride and the foxhunting clinic, we are working on plans for a late afternoon clay shoot at the Flying Rabbit Sporting Clays in Mt. Crawford, to be followed by a cookout. If you have not been clay shooting, but want to give it a try, we have several members that I am sure will be willing

to help you get on target. Also, in a change to the calendar, the fall show will be more like one of the old time local fun shows instead of a SWVHJA points show. The list of classes will soon be out. From an early preview of the classes, there should be something for anyone that is in the huntfield, from leadline to jumpers, games to handy and working hunters, and junior classes in between. So if you are not working the show, plan to ride. Thanks to all that have worked to put these summer events together.

I would be remiss not to mention that our new drafts have all settled in. Essex Bonnie '09 and Essex Wingshot '09 have transitioned into their new quarters without a whimper. We want to thank all of those that submitted names for the puppies. Havoc and Ripple are growing fast. I can guarantee that **Margo** will no longer want to carry one under each arm and am sure Brenda Weintraub has some interesting stories about their exploits.

Dan Jones, MFH

HOUND SOUNDS

Havoc and Ripple have been growing up and will have many tales as they have been on their travels through puppyhood. Some have asked where they came from. They are drafts from the Warwick Village Hounds. The WVH is a private pack bred and hunted by Dr. Todd Addis, MFH located in Elverson, Pennsylvania. Dr. Addis has been a breeder and huntsman of Penn-Marydel hounds for some 56 years, with his father preceding him in this endeavor. As a major breeder of PM hounds, his hounds have had a significant influence on the breed's popularity and success in numerous packs, both MFHA and non-recognized hunts. In addition to being represented in the more traditional PM packs, Addis bloodlines show up in American and Crossbred packs like Keswick, Mr. Steward's Cheshire, and Green Spring Valley to name a few. For those that would like to learn more about the background of the Penn-Marydel hound, "Our Penn-Marydel Hound- A Historical Anthology" by H. L. Todd Addis., MFH, provides a lot of background on the breed, current and past hunts that were influential in the breed and hunting tales. It is an easy read for foxhunting enthusiast.

Dan Jones, MFH

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GLENMORE FOXHUNTING CLINIC

Glenmore is hosting a Foxhunting Clinic on Saturday, July 23, 2016. The clinic will be held at **Missy** and **Dr. Bob Ruth's** lovely farm near Arbor Hill, Va. Riders and their horses will be evaluated at the start of the clinic and placed in the appropriate class for their skill level: First Flight, Second Flight or Hilltoppers. This is an excellent opportunity for experienced foxhunters to get a young horse out to introduce it to some of the skills needed in the hunt field, or for a new-to-foxhunting rider to learn more about hunting, or to just come out and enjoy a day with your horse. The highlight of the day is a mounted mock hunt. Clinicians this year will be Laura Hunt, Carol Ann O'Connor and Ester Simms. **Gale Struble** is organizing the clinic and can be reached at sundownacres2@verizon.net. Spaces are limited so register early.

Meet the Newest Glenmore Hunt Puppies

The Glenmore Hunt was fortunate to receive two half-sisters from the Doc Addis bloodline of Penn-Marydel hounds. **Dan Jones, MFH** finds the smaller breed of hounds more suitable for our territory and received these drafts from a larger hunt that had several successful litters. We recently offered a naming opportunity to select hound names that followed foxhunting tradition of choosing names that begin with the same letter as the mother's name.

Brenda Weintraub has been walking out our newest hounds and exposing them to life! Ripple and Havoc have visited the Goshen library, have been exposed to wildlife, and recently traveled to Canada. Thanks for your support **Brenda!** The Glenmore Hunt received suggested names from **Hugh Brown** and **Joe Manning, Eric Clegg, Margo Clegg, Mary Lee** and **Waverly McDavid, and Hugh Sproul**. Thanks to them for submitting suggested hound names. Congratulations to **Eric** and **Margo Clegg** for having your suggested names selected! We look forward to watching Havoc and Ripple grow up and join us in the hunt field.

Joe Manning, MFH



Havoc and Ripple enjoying an outing last month
Thanks to **Brenda Weintraub** for the photo

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Did You Know? In 2008 kicking, shoving and shouting, the PM hunters influence and PM popularity convinced the MFHA Board of Directors to enter the PM into the MFHA Stud Book as a separate breed. Prior to that, PMs were simply listed as American hounds. "Our Penn-Marydel Hound" by H.L. Todd Addis, MFH.

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