

Spring Valley Hounds December 2017 Newsletter

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November Events

- November 1, 15 and 29 – Gibb's Quest
- November 5 – Allamuchy Hunter Pace
- November 12 – Carson's
- November 23 – Thanksgiving Day Hunt – Gibb's Quest
- November 26 – Chamberlain's



Hunt Breakfasts

- Thank you Jan Hartley for hosting at your new home!
- Thank you Jill Brong and Sherri Hieber Day for offering to host a breakfast though the weather did not cooperate!
- Thank you Lauren Yen for hosting!

Upcoming Events

- December 3 – Joint meet with Windy Hollow Hunt - Murlan Farm
- December 10 – Waterwheel
- December 13, 20, and 27 – Gibbs Quest
- December 17 – Christmas Hunt – Watercress Farm – Pot Luck Breakfast – RSVP to Ann Marie (908) 459-5424

If you are interested in hosting a breakfast, please contact the Honorary Secretary at springvalleyhounds@hotmail.com



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Anonymous Question

Question: Do I need to be a member to hunt with SVH?

Answer: Parties who wish to be a guest of SVH are allowed three cappings per season. Guests must contact the Hunt Secretary prior to the day they wish to hunt and obtain permission. The cap fee for weekdays is \$35, \$50 for weekends and holidays.



Featured Hound

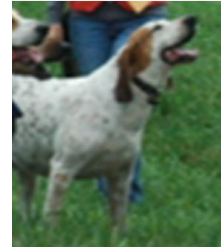


Photo Credit Jerry Neeff

Enorma

Enorma is a 6-year-old Penn Marydel. She came to use from Red Mountain Hounds in 2012. Enorma is a suitable name for this large and loving hound. You will always see Enorma wanting a little extra assistance getting into the hound van! Fun fact: Enorma is Elephant's sister!

Tips & Advice

Riders should be in the field that is most suitable for their ability and their horse. Riders should be where they feel comfortable, not where they believe they should be by some other standard. Remember, you have all the time in the world to move up! Something often forgotten about – just because you start out in a higher field does not mean that you must stay there. It is completely acceptable and even suggested that if there is an issue, then you move to a slower field. When doing so, wait until in between lines, then ask you field master if they are okay with you moving (this allows the field master to be aware of who their riders are and any problems occurring in the field). The field master will then talk to the field master of the field you wish to move to, or ask you to do so. There is nothing wrong with moving to a slower field: you may be getting tired, your horse may be getting tired, or the field is just not where you feel you are comfortable on that day.



Photo Credit: Lisa Cottrell-Machado

A Whipping from the Staff

Always wear a belt!

A belt is a part of equestrian attire that is not only used to hold up pants (though the rest of the field does appreciate that)! Belts also have many other uses in the hunt field: stirrup leathers, reins, leashes, neck straps for unbalanced riders, and lashes. They can be used for a quick fix on a broken fence, or, in an emergency, as a tourniquet!