



## **November/December 2014**

Dear Friends

This is the last newsletter of 2014--the year has flown by--there will be no general meetings in November or December but there is still plenty of fun to come.

Here's a brief recap of September and October activities to let you know what you might have missed. As I constantly say "you get out of the club what you put into it," so participate, it's really fun!

Author Janet Barrett spoke about her book [They Called Her Reckless](#) at the fire museum for the general meeting on **September 25**. Copies were available for sale and signing. I fell in love with this tough little mare.

On **September 28** Lynda Perry, Frank Kulick, Lucia Blanchard, and I attended the MO Ride at Pachaug. A motorcycle ride was happening in the park and the L&G Trail Riders group was also using the facility so we got off the main trails and did a little bushwacking. There are a lot of trees down on the smaller trails. I'd guess still remnants of Sandy and Irene. We had lunch following the ride and the ladies headed home fairly early to beat the leaf peeper traffic while Frank headed out for another ride.

The **October 23** general meeting was a fun and relaxing social and crafts party at Kristin and Mark's. Rebecca made delicious treats and folks could make rhythm beads or other horse jewelry or emergency bracelets led by Gina McManus and Tom Elliott.

We spent a lot of time in October getting ready for the hunter pace. On **October 12** Alyce Mallek, Dave Beaudette, and I weed whacked around the jumps in Ginger's Field and the Lower Gun Club Field and Dave removed two trees that were blocking the trail in Ginger's Field and at the top of canter hill. On **October 15** Dave mowed/brush-hogged the rest of the track in both fields. On **October 19** seven riders (Alyce Mallek, Joe Secondino, Howard Tunic, Lynda Perry, Karen Gallo, Julie Berman, and me) did a Clip & Ride and marked the hunter pace course. We removed quite a few small trees and cleared a lot of branches. Kristin cleared and marked the area from 4-corners through hers and Mark's, her parents', and the Brose and Martin properties, and back to 4-corners. On **October 20** Mark Leas and Dave were back out cutting a huge tree that had fallen across the trail near 4-corners.



On **October 24** Lynda and Karen were back out along with Sue Davenport checking the marking. On **October 25** Kristin went out to time the ride and discovered another tree down! I dragged my nephew, Mike Landon, out to chainsaw that one. Then a bunch of volunteers set up the signage and eating and registration areas. Finally hunter pace Sunday arrived! Two teams were no shows but 33 riders enjoyed the course.



**Lunch was provided by Saldamarco's.**  
**Judy Bosco was our official photographer.**  
**Look for Judy's info at the end of this newsletter!!!**







Even set up was fun!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**November 16** Annual Member-Only Chili Ride at Chatfield Hollow hosted by Sue Davenport and Emmy Pavelka. Please RSVP to Sue at [s1davenport@comcast.net](mailto:s1davenport@comcast.net) at least a few days in advance if you plan to attend. She needs a head count to know how much chili to make! This is always a popular ride.

**December 7** Annual Christmas Progressive Ride. Park and breakfast at Dave and Julie's farm, 98 Stevenstown Road, Deep River (where the hunter pace was held), ride to lunch at Kristin and Mark's, return for dessert at trailers. Please RSVP to [lcrvhc.org@gmail.com](mailto:lcrvhc.org@gmail.com) by December 2 so we can have a head count for food. A donation of \$10 per rider is suggested to cover the cost of the supplies.

**January 1** Annual New Years Day Freeze Your Butt Ride at Hammonasset State Park. Judy Bosco would like to bring some photographer friends to take pictures—unless it's snowing.

Equine Affaire Fantasia Tickets for Sale

Saturday, November 15. Excellent seats, 8 tickets.

Box 15, rows A&B, seats 13, 14, 15, 16 in each row (right behind the box seats)

\$20.75 each, exactly what I paid. Unfortunately I cannot go this year.

Call or e-mail Nancy 802-989-1110 or [greenbear@gmavt.net](mailto:greenbear@gmavt.net)

A giant **thank you** to everyone who helped prep, clear and mark the course, set-up, manage, and clean up to make the 2014 Fall Festival Hunter Pace a success- especially our hosts **Dave Beaudette and Julie Berman**, and **Kristin Elliott-Leas** for mapping, marking, checking, and timing. **Howard Tunic** took these photos the morning of the ride and **Sigrun Morano** took the tailgate shot with my phone the day before.

All Judy's photos are here  
<http://judybosco.smugmug.com/Equine-Events/LCRVHC-2014> and there is a 20% off coupon good until 11/21/14 to be used a checkout time.

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