

Scotsgrove Fall Hunter Pace and Trail Ride

Saturday September 11th, 2021

Submitted by Missy Bright

The Scotsgrove Family did it again! What a special group of men and women who volunteered to make this Hunter Pace a success. Sincere thanks to Scotsgrove and the Broadus family for allowing our riders to enjoy these beautiful trails!

Goodwin Hounds own Tot Goodwin and Kat Dooley put in a good mornings' work removing fallen trees on the trails. Three other participants of the Hunt Group, Dr. Ann Fratcher, Mary Macy, and Patt Tarr worked on a hot and humid morning with Leslie Scott pruning and sawing to clear the trails. Scott Tate worked with grading equipment and performed maintenance on the trails.

Katheryn Eilders, Laurie Ridgeway, and Kate Tighe supervised the barn assisted by Elizabeth Lister and a gaggle of others since Scotsgrove had 16 riders in the Pace! Patti Kunz and Lisa Porter kept the registration table on course under the lovely shady tree. The always humorous Joey Cabaniss and Gwen Phifer manned the timer's station and that is always a treat. Keeping track of teams outbound and returning is a feat in itself. Riders were given directions and color of ribbons to follow. And they'll always leave the light on.

The Check Point was manned by Missy Bright in the A.M. as well as Heather Daniel, AK McMillan, Kat Dooley, after her ride, and Jackie Smith. Cold water was offered to riders to cool down on what was beginning to be a hot and humid day. The mounts were offered a treat as well. The ribbon color for trail direction changed after the checkpoint and riders were given this tidbit of information as to not get lost.

The parking attendants for the day were Randy Autry, who also assisted at the Check Point in his farrier truck for a loose shoe repair. Will Gore, Laurie Ridgeway, and James and Lacy White were on hand to direct rigs to their appropriate parking areas. There were only two minor hiccups as far as parking was concerned. Leslie handled those and then all ran smoothly.

Photography was handled by Jan and Lou Smith and Scotsgrove's own Amanda Towery. As always, photos will be up and on the website over the next couple weeks.

Last but not least, one mustn't forget about the lunch spread. Beth Straitiff catered and served her specialties, the Egg Salad or Chicken Salad Sandwiches on very delicious bread. They were absolutely divine. She provided soft drinks of choice, cold water, and iced tea and chips of one's choice. For dessert she had those luscious round brownies.

In the Field Hunter Division there were 26 riders in 14 teams. The Optimum Time was one hour, 29 minutes.

Now, let's get to those results:

First Place Honors were awarded to Anne and Andy Curell from Columbus with the time of one hour, 34 minutes, 38 seconds. Asher Quinn and Sarah Yezierski from Pisgah Forest brought home the Second Place Red Ribbon with the time of one hour, 22 minutes, 48 seconds. There was a tie for Third Place. Team number 94, Avery Dubois from Waxhaw and Thepei Sidperf finished with the time of one hour, 22 minutes, 44 seconds. Team number 95, Carol Land from Marvin and Matthew Savage also finished with the time of one hour, 22 minutes, 44 seconds. Fifth Place was awarded to Carrie and Olive Wilsey from Hendersonville with the time of one hour, 22 minutes, 11 seconds. Rounding out the placements for the Field Hunter Division for Sixth Place was Barb DePalma from Inman with a time of one hour, 15 minutes, 56 seconds.

Other Field Hunters out on the trails were Kathy Bethka, Steph Culbertson, Carla Fullam, Shalise Gallaher, Dixie Howell, Amanda Jones, Miki Kedo, Emily Mitchell, Michelle Montgomery, Paula Moore, Linda Plummer, Jene Robertson, Seamus Sheehan, Patt Tarr, and Sutton Turner.

There were 52 riders in 24 teams in the Trail Rider Division. The Calculated Optimum Time was two hours, 17 minutes, 34 seconds.

First Place Honors were bestowed upon Kathy Nebel and Deb Zarish, a duo from Tryon with a time of two hours, 17 minutes, 26 seconds. They were a mere eight seconds off the Calculated Optimum Time! Second Place was awarded to another duo, Cassidy and Kimberly Hannu from Landrum with a time of two hours, 17 minutes, 54 seconds. Emma Bridges from Boiling Springs and Anna Dunn Joyce were awarded the Third Place Yellow Ribbon with the time of two hours, 18 minutes, 58 seconds. Solo rider Dawn Harrison from Hendersonville came home with Fourth Place with the time of two hours, 19 minutes, 52 seconds. The trio of Andrea

Gager from Mill Spring, Lydia Kolbas from Columbus and Melanie Sowwhite from Tryon brought home Fifth Place with the time of two hours, 14 minutes, 43 seconds. Rounding out the placements in the Trail Rider Division for Sixth Place was Katheryn Eilders from Moore and Payton and Susan Medford from Spartanburg with a time of two hours, 13 minutes, 57 minutes. Jennifer and Olivia Wilson from Mill Spring received an Honorable Mention by finishing with the time of two hours, 21 minutes, 28 seconds. They were only 17 seconds out of the ribbons.

Other Riders out enjoying the trails were Aria Baddorf, Sara Borkosky, Tamara Bruning, Marlana Burrell, Kelly Cannon, Cathleen Coggins, Sam Dawkins, Susan Foster, Shelby Frazier, Christina and Scott Graziano, Donna Hajek, Guy Hanna, Laura Hendley, Carllytn Hughes, Meredith Keen, Mary Macy, Ronnie Mann, Cynthia McDOonald, Marianne Moore, Rachel Neese, Rachel O'Brien, Tracie Parker, Izzy Rini, Jennifer Smith, Carol and CR Stanley, Madison and Paige Stout, Peggie Sullenberger, Marcy Vance, Renee, Keith, Carter, Hazel, and Olive Wade, and Jess Wright.

There was a Mini Pace Division held on this beautiful day! Kat Dooley and Tot Goodwin were awarded First Place with a time of 42 minutes, four seconds. The duo of Bristol Gomer and Lilah Towery scored Second Place with the time of 44 minutes, 15 seconds. Third Place was awarded to Izabella Williford with a time of 48 minutes, 22 seconds. Fourth Place was awarded to Kaleigh Porter with a time of 48 minutes, 38 seconds. Fifth Place was awarded to the trio of Khloe Miller, Millie Turk, and Lucy Womick with the time of 48 minutes, 48 seconds. Rounding out the placements in the Mini Pace Division for Sixth Place was Taylor Dockter with the time of 48 minutes, 53 seconds.

Other Mini Pace Riders were Ann Bowling, Tori Drumns, Cheryl Grigsby, Nickey Guffey, Danielle Lamb, Elysa and Eric LaRock, Elizabeth Lister, Claire White, and Braelyn Williamson

Next up for the Western Carolina Hunter Pace Series is the beautiful Windridge Farms Hunter Pace and Trail Ride, scheduled for Sunday September 26th, 2021. Their rain date is Sunday October 3rd, 2021. Come, ride, eat, and enjoy the day. Don't forget to RSVP for lunch if you plan on attending the Windridge Hunter Pace. There is also their meal order form included with the registration form on the website. Turn this in at registration to get your meal the way you like.

To save some time and crowds at the Registration Tables, download the Registration Forms from the Western Carolina Hunter Pace website for the specific event and slap a return address label on it including your emergency contact and email to insure you can be contacted. Some forms don't have a spot for an address but go ahead and write it somewhere on the form or use the aforementioned label!

Check the website at www.wchpace.org for upcoming events, changes, and to view your photos taken by Photographer Lou Smith. With the weather being so unpredictable here of late, rain dates are in place in case of a postponement.