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Children's Hunt / Junior Day Branch Hill Farm, Milton Mills, NH Saturday 12-Sept-2009, 10:00am

The Wentworth Hunt invites you to join us for our annual Children's Hunt / Junior Day. This is an opportunity for children/juniors to participate in and experience the sport of foxhunting as guests of the Wentworth Hunt. This year it will be held at *Branch Hill Farm*, one of our favorite fixtures with wide-open lanes, great footing, nice scenery, trails through woods and along fields. *Branch Hill Farm* is in conservation through *Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests* and *Moose Mountain Regional Greenways*. We would love to have pony clubbers, 4-H, junior riders taking lessons ...

You are welcome to participate if you are comfortable riding in the open, independently, and have a horse that can safely stop, or are comfortable in the open being lead-lined.

- All riders must have a signed waiver (see attached).
- You must wear a safety helmet.
- Dress is informal -- polo shirt or plain-colored shirt, breeches and boots.
- If you are under 18, you must have a designated responsible adult at the hunt, and a waiver signed by parent or guardian.

Riders of all skills are welcome.

- A child can be hand-walked, lead-lined, or ponied.
- Your responsible adult can be your instructor, an experienced parent or friend who is riding or parent/other adult with lead line. We would really welcome instructors who would like to bring their student(s).
- Most juniors feel the most comfortable riding in our *Hilltop Field* where you will only need to comfortably ride at a walk and trot. We have had advanced juniors ride in the *First Field*, taking all the jumps and keeping at speed with the hounds and staff.
- Foot followers are welcome, there will be a number of very good vantage points for watching the hunt and taking photographs, within easy walking distance.

All junior riders will be our guest for this special hunt.

- Juniors will have no fee to cap. Throughout the rest of the season, juniors cap at just \$15, and a junior season membership is quite reasonable. (Age 25 and under)
- All junior participants will receive a ribbon or certificate of participation.

After the hunt, we will have our traditional "tea" with potluck picnic geared toward our junior guests of honor.

Directions:

BRANCH HILL FARM, Milton Mills, NH
Off Spaulding Turnpike: Exit 18 (also exit for Farm Museum).
Turn right at bottom of ramp. Take first left (to Milton Mills) and continue on Applebee Road approximately one mile to farm on left. Parking after Branch Hill Farm buildings and driveway.

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Branch Hill Farm: Miles of beautiful wooded trails, firm sandy footing, plenty of natural huntsy jumps, all off to the side of the main trail. There is typically good footing on the trails in the woods, which run near the Salmon Falls and Branch Rivers.

Branch Hill Farm is a 3,000-acre farm with a managed forestry plan. The farm began in 1962 when Carl Siemon purchased his grandparents' 18th century farmhouse and three-acres of land. With his vision and life's work, the farm grew and the land was protected from development. His daughter Cynthia Wyatt continues with that same spirit and generosity, allowing us & many other groups to enjoy the beauty of the forest and farmland.

www.branchhillfarm.org

The Wentworth Hunt has an *Introduction to Hunting* presentation. Please contact us if you feel it is appropriate for your Pony Club, 4-H group or barn, and we'll see if we can make arrangements.

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Agreement for Release & Waiver for a Minor Child

I request permission for my child, named below, to participate in cross-country riding and foxhunting with the Wentworth Hunt. I fully understand that cross-country horseback riding and foxhunting (which includes riding over fences, other obstacles, and steep and rough terrain) are very dangerous activities. I wish to allow my child to participate in these activities knowing they are dangerous. I accept and assume all the risks of injury (including death) to my child or my property. I represent and warrant that I have the authority to give this release.

In exchange for my child being permitted to participate in these activities, for my child, myself, my child's heirs, guardians, and legal representatives, I release and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against the Wentworth Hunt, or its masters, officers, directors, members, employees, or guest or any landowners, landholders, or any other persons making property available for the Wentworth Hunt, for any injury (including death), to my child or any damage to my property whether from anyone's negligence or not, or any other cause, arising out of my child's participation in these dangerous horseback riding, foxhunting or related activities; and I also agree if anyone makes any claims because of any injury to my child (including death), or for any damage to my property, I will keep all those released by this agreement free of any damages or costs because of those claims.

DATE

Printed Name – Minor Child

Printed Name – Parent/Guardian

Signature – Parent/Guardian

Address:

Horse's Name

Street

Club Affiliation

City/Town

State

Zip

Phone Number

Emergency Contact Name (print)

Email Address

Emergency Contact Phone

Insurance (optional) – only to be used in case of emergency

ATTENTION! Under New Hampshire law, a participant in equine activities assumes the risk of any injury, harm, damage, or death and any legal responsibility that may occur to participant resulting from the inherent risks associated with equine activities. Pursuant to R.S.A. 508:19