



Hunting Fall and Winter 2014

On the morning of October 4th, David Harshaw, Jonathan Schau and I got the pack out and began rebuilding the runs at kennels. We gave a presentation in the afternoon at L.L. Bean in King of Prussia on bassetting and our work in Chester County for land preservation.. On Sunday 5 October's **Opening Meet at Kennels**, it was great to see all our friends again to start the season. We had a dry, cool day, with very little game—a quick one to ground as we moved out toward the upper hedgerows, and a short run to ground in the hedge line near the far upper woods. Hounds were steady to deer there, but the tenant's cat was a sore temptation near the upper drive.. Hounds recovered quickly, and after a final draw down to the stream and the center cover we called it a day. The young hounds, Yarrow, Yuengling and Yvette, that will be 2 years old November 2, worked like veterans. Salsa, Sabine and Uwchlan were the leaders in the field. The Kalmbachs gave a wonderful tea. All in all a very good start to our 67th season. We hunted a 3 couple at Marsh Creek on Wednesday 9th October, with Yuengling working well



Opening Meet—Push him out!



Marsh Creek—Salsa spots him and drives to the woods!



with the older hounds. Two rabbits gave short runs to ground around the oval, then in the spike hedgerow they drove a good one out for a big loop in the bean field and back to ground to end the morning. Quarry and Sabine were super. Saturday at kennels Jonathan, David and I finished work on the runs. **Marsh Creek** on Sunday the 12th was a sunny dry day. Two rabbits were run and put to ground around the oval track to start. Hounds found the center hedgerow rabbit for a big looping run out across the bean field and back to ground—a repeat of Wednesday, then Salsa got up a rabbit for a run into the roadside woods. There a deer and a fox fouled the line, but hounds did not break, and kept trying to puzzle the line through the middle of the woods. The field had seen the deer break out and cross, and the fox go right towards the oval. Hounds all came out in order for a draww back to the right top hedgerow, where they drove another rabbit out into middle of the upper bean field, checked, then picked the line around to a loss in the dust. We drew back toward the meet to end the day. The Yeakles gave us a great tea afterwards. On the 19th, we had a very good day in chilly, dry and windy conditions at **George Jefferis's**. Hounds found and ran 3 different rabbits well, putting 2. The first one was quickly holed, then they found in the tree cover. They ran it to the middle to a check, then Sabine fresh found it and worked it up again and the chase was on...down to the bottom and back up the far side into a brush pile. They drove it through to the left field to a check and it was viewed crossing back. Hounds picked up the line and drove it out to the other side where it ran the dirt road up to the end and ducked back in. This was repeated several times, and finally we drew across to the far field hedgerow where we found no rabbits, but a deer broke out on the far side. Hounds worked to the upper end with a yip or two, then we drew across toward the tree cover again. They pushed up a rabbit in the middle of the field and ran it into the plantings again. They worked to a mark in the tree



End of day at Jefferis's.



Aldie three couple.



Aldie—second rabbit.

holes to end the day. Sabine, Salsa and Souza were the stars, with young Yuengling working like a pro the whole day. It was an excellent tuneup for Aldie. Everyone had a great time. The tailgate was super with goodies from the party at Suzanne Bender's Saturday night.

Aldie was interesting. Jonathan Schau and James Overstreet whipped in for the 3 couple, and Phyllis Allen and James whipped in for the

5 couple. Marsha Scharnberg, Deedee Heyward and Phil Metcalf were a lot of help along with them to make the trip and the weekend easy and fun. Our 3 couple on Friday October 24th at 7:30 am was a good workout, with a find and run to ground in the upper end of the enclosure. They found a second and the pack was picked up running it as time ran out. The 5 couple at 1:30 pm Saturday afternoon the 25th was a mess in the heat—hounds never really settled. Phyllis did a great job stopping them off a possible deer riot. We had a nice trip home, and David Harshaw met us at kennels to help unload and feed. Frustrating hunting, but a fine time regardless with a great bunch of people.

Wednesday October 29 we walked the pack and did some cleanup and fence work at kennels. Saturday November 1 it was pouring, so we did the monthly medications and cleaned up, getting in fresh hay in the beds. Sunday's November 2nd meet at the **Kents' Sunnyside Up Farm** was a testing workout for hounds—clear, dry and cold in high wind with gusts. The rabbits stayed to ground except for one short run. Hounds thoroughly worked the big briary cover in the open wooded hillside, and three long thick hedgerows. Lisa Booth had the only view of the day on a rabbit that hounds pushed out of the first hedgerow. It dodged back in and they quickly marked it to ground. The final draw was blank except for two deer that hounds didn't break on, so we ended the day for a great tailgate in the Kent's lower pasture. We had a good hunt at **Janeice and Eli Silbermans'** November 9th—one rabbit quickly to ground at the start, a good run to a mark in the big woods, one accounted for in the bank covert at the Mc Carters', then another quickly to ground at the drive entrance of Moran's to finish up on the way in. I should have hunted the north woods area more, as it was damp at the bottom and we might have gotten up more game there than we did later. The tea was grand! Afterwards, David Harshaw, Jonathan Schau and I deburred hounds and fed the pack. We had a nice hunt at Marsh Creek on Wednesday November 12. Gene Bolt, Dick Gross and I saw the pack run a good circling rabbit up the left side and back twice and put it to ground, and hole a couple of short runners along the south edge. Then they ran a doubling rabbit inside the spike hedgerow to finish the



Silberman's—rabbit 2 into the woods.



CFS—stream rabbit doubled back.



CFS—final rabbit run in view to ground.

morning. Back at kennels we exercised and fed the rest. Our Dog Warden came later to give us an excellent rating for the biannual kennel inspection. Saturday the 15th Gene Bolt, David Harshaw and I walked hounds at kennels. Sunday November 16th was a mixed bag at CFS. When we arrived, deer and fox were viewed in and beyond the hedgerows. Hoping to avoid the deer, I drew right along the center stream line, and a deer came out near the bridge at the upper end. Larry and the Ts and Yeoman broke, running toward the lane and crossed toward the pond. The rest of the pack stayed with me. The miscreants were recovered and we drew the track hedgerow, where they put several to ground, two of which were viewed as they dodged in and out. Then we crossed the lane and drew the track hedgerow on to the end blank, and went to the stream line, where they got up a good runner near the lane end. They ran it back along the far side to ground at the bottom. Next draw was up the far hedge line to the top, and a good rabbit that ran the length to ground. I did a final draw back and crossed the cut cornfield to end the day. The tailgate was great, with some super pies, sandwiches and deviled eggs. We had a good cleanup crew at kennels, which was vital, as hounds, especially the ones that ran the deer, were covered with a fine blend of burrs. Betty Barth came to pick up Yuengling for another breeding adventure, and helped with the cleanup as well. All in all a very nice day.. Wednesday November 19th Gene, Dick and I hunted hounds at Marsh Creek in bitter cold and wind. They put one to ground in the first corner of the oval, and spoke at holes in the hedgerows from then on, working hard the whole time, but the smart rabbits stayed to ground. Sunday the 23th was warmer at the **Hallmans'**. All we found was deer, deer and more deer, however. The tea afterwards at Julie and Tag Geers' Little Field Farm was super. Wednesday the 26th Gene Bolt and I got the pack out and got the runs cleaned, just before the predicted snow started. On Thanksgiving morning Dave Duvall and I got the ice and snow cleaned out, fed and stood out the pack. Happily the snow was very light. We had a good training day November 29th at kennels. Lisa, Laura, Nick Booth and I watched hounds scour the upper hedgerow and run a big rabbit the length to a mark, then the center field covert where they got up one inside and pushed it out of tangles twice to a mark at the top. We drew back to finish, and exercised the rest at kennels. Sunday November 30th at **Cheslen**—report from the Field: A day in the 50's and overcast meant snow hadn't completely melted so muck boots were a must, but gloves and scarves were not. Our country is "the rolling hills of Chester County..." and there was plenty of rolling this afternoon and looping around and slogging through snowmelt. However, not many bunnies to show for it (the Field saw one little squibber and The Master assured us there were others, especially the one that entertained hounds racing around in the hillside cover). But at the next cover the pack got on a fox and the games began! Phyllis on Stormy tried to cut them off at the pass, and pretty much did, but became entangled in wire and went down (they are both ok). All hounds returned to horn in about a half hour with Sabine last in (that's how we know it was fox--she doesn't run deer) before 4:00. We were delighted that every one made it to tea in good time—and what a tea it was! We are grateful to Holly and Dick for their warm welcome (and their warming port). Cakes, ham, turkey, soup—even M&Ms—were laid out for our enjoyment. Thanks to them and to barge toters and bale lifters for another brilliant day with Skycastle.

Wednesday December 3 was a fine training workout at kennels. The young entry packed up very well and Saturday was more of the same. On Sunday December 7th at **Ryers's Farm** hounds scoured hedgerows and patches of cover to no avail until they got up a rabbit in the hedge line above the barn on the way in. They ran it down to the end into a big briar and branch tangle and to ground. Salsa and Souza did their level best to dig it out, and didn't want to leave the tangle. We had a fine Tailgate Tea inside the farm office, which Director Sam Griffin had

opened for us, after the hunt. Wednesday Lisa and I walked the pack and worked on training the young entry. They did very well, and need couples no longer. On Saturday, David, Lisa and I walked and exercised the pack, and gave them their monthly tick and ivermectin meds. We hunted December 14th at **Welkenweir**. Hounds found their first rabbit in the tangles below the pavillion and drove it back to the bottom



Welkenweir—first rabbit to ground.



Second rabbit from the upper covert to ground at the bottom west side of the property.

to ground. We then worked across the property through the lower meadow coverts blank, and worked up the field toward the road. Crossing the drive, they dug into a big forsythia cover and drove a rabbit from side to side, forcing it out for a good run. They ran it to the bottom of the hill through brush and branch piles, and across to the west side of the woods to a check in a big briar tangle. It bolted again and was finally put to ground near the woods edge heading back to the find to end the day. The tea at the Farnhams' afterward was super, with plenty of hot tea and soup along with sandwiches and sweets to warm us up. We walked the pack and worked on puppy training Wednesday and Saturday. Sunday the 21st at **Church Farm** was a tough one from the start. A big red fox raced through the first draw at the center stream, and took half the pack across the road. We recovered all but Souza, and crossed back to hunt the hedgerows. After marking several short running rabbits, we called it a day and headed back to the barns for a tailgate. The staff and I went back to the area where Souza had disappeared to try to find her, then took the pack to kennels to clean up the awful burrs and feed. I went back in the dark to Church Farm and Souza quickly came to horn from the stream line cover, pasted with the dreaded pineapple burrs. It took almost 3/4 of an hour to clean her up, then feed her and so to bed. Wednesday I got hounds out before the rains came and cleaned all the runs. At our **Boxing Day Meet at Allerton Farm Gate** on Friday, December 26th, what a difference a holiday makes. Last Sunday we nearly froze. Today, Boxing Day, saw us swelter under a December sun sufficiently cheered by Christmas to make a rare appearance. The landscape was littered with discarded hunt coats and vests as field and



Boxing Day—Moving off!



Boxing Day—the Field watching the final draw.



End of day—meeting Salsa!

staff marched down, around and back up through fields of corn stubble, which is the hardest, hottest marching there is. Hounds ran three rabbits in the hillside woods, two of them quickly to ground. There was very little hound music, luckily none when 6 deer slipped across the field and into covert at the start. But it's a happy morning hunt when old friends and new babies turn out to watch hounds work. Lots of young legs joining staff for the day was a nice Christmas present for the Master. Our thanks to our hostess Josie Parman for her Christmas present to Skycastle, her invitation for a Boxing Day Hunt and the Breakfast afterward. Her warm welcome, huge ham and giant elk hat rack are all we need in our Christmas Box! We hunted at **Mr. and Mrs. George Jefferis's** on December 28th to end the old year. Hounds worked the upper tree plantings down to the bottom left and the woods slope below the foxhound kennels where they got up a rabbit for a short run to ground along the back field edge. The next found was run in the tree plantings to the north end to a mark. Working along the south side edge, they pushed out a big one for a good long final run to the back end and a loop through the middle to ground to end the day. Our young entry, Yeoman, Yuengling, Yarrow and Yvette, are improving with each hunt.

Everyone is welcome to join us on bye days. Call Jim Scharnberg or Gillian Wiedorn Tuesday and Friday for times and locations. Our 64th season is going very well indeed so far. We will be exploring new locations on bye day hunts the second half of the season. Please let us know if you have any friends' properties in mind.

We owe our sport to our wonderful landowners.

HOUND PROFILES

With the Adopt-A-Hound Program coming next month we thought it would be fun to tell you a bit more about our individual hounds. When I started describing the hounds I found myself saying over and over again “loving and affectionate” but quite simply it is the nature of our little hounds in addition to their fine hunting abilities. So here goes and we hope everyone finds at least one irresistible fuzzy Valentine



SABINE DES AJONCS DE L'AULNE is 13 and one of the hounds Jim brought back from France. She is a fantastic hunter, works very hard and is beautiful to watch. She is very determined and if she can't burrow into a spot will jump over and in to it! She is rather shy but is getting better all the time! She is a real sweetheart and has the most wonderful booming voice – when you hear that voice you know they're on to something! She gave us the beautiful “T” litter in 2008. She is currently semi-retired & living with Jim & Marsha.



QUARRY is 9 year's old and a purebred PBGV. She is one of Mireine's puppies. She has a lovely thick smooth coat and a white tail. She is a good, hardworking little hound, got the idea very quickly, and is now one of our best and most hardworking hounds although she can be a little crotchety at times. She and Larry gave us two handsome boys in 2009 – Uproar (now retired to the Valois with Pampa) and Uwchlan.



GEBEBA'S LARRY is a purebred PBGV who is 9 years old and came to us from the Barths. He is an AKC Champion who had never hunted before but has adapted beautifully. It was very exciting to see him chase his own rabbit for the first time. He is very good natured, has a lovely disposition and is a real gentleman. He is the father of Sousa and Salsa.



SOUSA is a purebred PBGV, one of Mischief's puppies and is 7 years old. She is the most like her mother, as she has her brown and white coloring. She is very, very smart and a natural leader and hunts extremely well. Jim feels that she will be one of the leaders of the pack as she gets older. She is the mother of Wagtail and Wessells and also of our “Y” litter, that Jim feels is one of the best we've had.



SALSA was the biggest of her litter, a purebred PBGV and 7 years old. She has become a very good hunter at an early age and Jim is very pleased with her. She and Sousa are great buddies and have a wonderful time chasing each other around the kennel yard. She is very good looking with pretty black and white coloring with some brown. A very handsome girl and Jim feels that she too will be one of the leaders of the pack.



TEASEL is 6 years old and from Sabine and Skycastle Riddle. She was the smallest of her litter, a sweet individualist who knows what she wants and is very quick to figure out how to get it. She is very affectionate and is coming along as a hunter. She may be dainty but in no way does she let anyone boss her around.



TROMPETTE is 6 years old and also from Sabine and Skycastle Riddle. She has a beautiful thick and wiry coat. In 2009 she gave us the “V” litter and she is the mother of last year’s “surprise” litter. Wessells was the father. Trompette has been hunting very well and Jim is very pleased with her.



TUPPENCE is also from Sabine and Skycastle Riddle and 6 years old. She is named for the large spots on her torso. Her coat looks as though it might be difficult to groom but it is surprisingly easy. She is very sweet and affectionate and is doing very well as a hunter. Jim feels that Salsa, Sousa, Tuppence and Trompette are the solid core of the pack.



UWCHLAN is 5 and the elder of the two feisty boys that Quarry and Larry gave us. He has a lovely, large black saddle, a charming dark face and a merry disposition. He is an enthusiastic hunter and is doing extremely well for a hound as young as he is. His name is Welsh and means “upland” or “the land above the valley” He is an extremely handsome boy and loves to chase tennis balls and will bring them back to you for more fun.



GALLION DES ROCS DU PLESSIS is on loan to us by Logan Mazanec who brought him back from France. He is 3 years old and very sweet and affectionate. He is still learning to hunt and doing well. He has also been on the show circuit earning more points toward his championship. He is the father of the “Y” & “Z” litters.



YUENGLING is from Sousa & Gallion. He is 2 years old, white with a few scattered orange spots. After starting as an irrepressible Lothario, he has settled down & is working hard to find rabbits. His first litter of 8, 3 boys & 5 girls, was born January 20. Betty Barth is delighted – the whelping was easy, & the little mother & pups are doing very well. We will be getting one of the girls. He is a powerful, handsome young lad, improving with every hunt & Jim is very pleased with him.



YARROW also from Sousa & Gallion, & 2 years old, she is orange & white patched, the tallest of the Y’s, she is a clever escape artist & is starting to hunt well. She is developing into a solid worker in her second season. She digs into cover quickly, has a good nose, is responsive & very biddable. She is learning the trade well from Aunt Salsa, working well with the older hounds & improving with every hunt!



YVETTE also from Sousa & Gallion, & 2 years old, is a tricolor, a lovely hound who has started hunting well, & works the cover thoroughly Though wide at times, she harks to a find quickly She is bright & sweet natured, & well focused in the field. She bears an eerie color resemblance to the late, great Iris, a long-time pack leader Yvette won Best Young Entry at our Skycastle Hound Show



YEOMAN is 2 years old & from Sousa & Gallion. He is white with a tan head & black rump patch & is becoming a good pack hound, & follows his mom & aunt, Sousa & Salsa, closely He will be a solid team player He was 3rd in the Entered Dog Class at Bryn Mawr & when James showed him in the Jr Handler Class at Bryn Mawr they came in 2nd.



ZELDA is from Tuppence & Gallion & 1 year old. She is the real beauty of the bunch, & was the first to pack in well with the whole pack. Her nose never leaves the ground & she can't wait to start hunting!



ZIVA Also from Tuppence & Gallion & 1 year old. She is a very bright & sharp little hound who runs like a greyhound. Rabbits better watch out when she starts hunting!



ZSA ZSA Also from Tuppence & Gallion & 1 year old. She is the biggest of the "Z" litter, very powerful, & can leap tall buildings at a single bound! She has a great nose.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 15 - 19 - National Spring Basset Pack Trials, Aldie, Virginia
Sunday, May 3 - Maryland Foxhound Show
Sunday, May 17 - Annual Meeting & Hound Show - Vixen Hill Farm
Saturday, May 30 - 101st Bryn Mawr Hound Show
Monday, September 7 - Ludwig's Corner Horse Show

HOUND TALK – OUR RETIREES

**Robin and Roguish retired to live with Phyllis Allen – Here’s her account of their settling in:
THE “NEW” GIRLS**



In September I became the adopted mother of Robin & Roguish.

After picking them up from the kennels they went directly to the groomer. Returning to their new home, looking very beautiful with matching pink bows, they ran around in their new, long awaited yard, that took a whole summer to prepare. As one of the Amish workers said, “I don’t even think a mouse can get through!” I apologized for being so overprotective & told him we were dealing with hound dogs - & very smart ones! Well ----the little “ladies” lasted all of three hours before discovering the muddy Spring House & losing all signs of pink bows & clean, white coats! Everything was an adventure: a home, big fluffy beds, & PIGS!!!! What’s that???? After stopping dead in their tracks & staring!

They have shown no aggression to anything: horses, pigs, chickens or sheep, but houseguests are barked & growled at continuously! I guess they are protecting their new home! For the moment we are all living happily ever after!



Zouave, the little “Z” boy with a heart murmur, is Marsha & Jim’s pet, living with them with our wonderful **Sabine**, now aged 14, in well-deserved & honorable retirement. She is the grandmother of the “Z” litter

MEETS AND TEAS

October 5 - Opening Meet & Blessing of the Hounds at Kennels, Tea at the Kalmbachs – Opening Meet revealed in the cool, clear weather that made Field & hounds extremely perky. The Master, in his other identity as Rev. Jim, conducted the Blessing of the Hounds, asking that we "treat all living things with compassion, especially the speedy rabbit." Not to worry—no bunnies showed up, but a deer & a large, fluffy cat did. (The Master says there were 5 little rabbits put to ground in the hedgerows, but.) Hounds gave the cat a scare, but did not break on the deer. The 3Y's acquitted themselves well, especially Yuengling & Yarrow working inside. Salsa, Uwchlan & Sabine were leaders in the field. Lack of rabbits led to an early end to the day—the upside? An early start to tea! And what a tea! Once again the K's made the trip up Cardiac Hill worth it. Cookies, sandwiches, cakes & goodies too numerous to mention (but I will mention the smoked salmon & Cele's Special Sauces). Lots of neighbors & other visitors made for a jolly afternoon. Summer's over, fall is here, Tally Ho!

October 12 – Marsh Creek State Park & Tea at the Yeakle's – Jim hunted a 5 couple & put up 4 rabbits until deer & fox fouled the line but the hounds did not break & kept trying to puzzle the line through the middle of the woods. Hounds all came out to horn & drove another rabbit out into the middle of the bean field where they checked, then picked the line around to a loss in the dust. Following hunting we all descended on the Yeakle's for a fabulous tea with delicious deviled eggs, cakes, sandwiches & cookies. The house looked lovely with the family room opened up into the kitchen.

October 19 – Mr & Mr George Jefferis's – A good day in chilly, dry & windy conditions. Hounds found & ran 3 different rabbits well, putting 2 to ground. Sabine, Salsa & Souza were the stars, with young Yuengling working like a pro the whole day. It was an excellent tuneup for Aldie. Everyone had a great time. & the tailgate was super with goodies from the party at Suzanne Bender's Saturday night.

November 2 – Mr & Mrs. Mark Kent's Sunnyside Up Farm – A lovely day but too windy for good scent. The hounds worked hard & did a good job & afterwards we had a great BYO tailgate tea with everyone sharing the goodies they had brought!

November 9 – Mr. & Mrs. Eli Silberman's – Another lovely day with a great turn-out. A few people from Ardrossan as their pack is down at Aldie this weekend. A fabulous tea with Eli's delicious chili in the kitchen & Janeice's fabulous spread in the dining room with salmon, lovely cheeses, plus Rosemary made the Cabin Cheese dip that we all enjoyed from the Algonquin Hotel Cookbook. Lots of yummy cakes & cookies. A really lovely occasion.

November 16 – Church Farm School w/ Tailgate Tea hosted by Mary Jane Wallace, Gary Sturts & Pat Roche – A mixed bag but all in all a nice day. It was cold & clammy but the hounds were in great form & put up several rabbits. It was lovely to warm up afterwards at the tailgate tea given by Mary Jane Wallace, Pat Roche & Gary Sturts with delicious deviled eggs, cookies, brownies & fabulous fruit pies by Master Chefs, Gary Sturts & Gene Bolt!

November 23 – Mr & Mrs. Harold Hallman's & Tea at the Geers Little Field Farm – Not much luck with the hunting but wonderful tea afterwards at the Geer's Little Field Farm with wonderful venison chili, roast beef sandwiches, cookies, cake & a birthday cake for Marsha just back from visiting Gwen in Vienna! A wonderful time was had by all!

November 30 – Cheslen Preserve Meet 2 with Tea given by Dick & Holly Gross – Disappointing hunt at Cheslyn but a super tea afterwards at the Gross's, with wonderfully warming soup, ham & turkey with rolls, delicious chocolate cake & lovely cheeses. A good turn out & everyone had a great time at their lovely home! The Jack Russells had a good party too!

December 7 – Ryers’s Farm for Aged Equines w/ Tailgate Tea –Today’s 40-ish temps & brisk breezes made it a day for far fewer layers than most of us wore & no one spotted the “T” sisters sneaking away. It wasn’t until we were heading back to the Party Wagon with the rest of the pack that the 2 miscreants emerged, covered with mud & pleased as punch with themselves. On the way back, Salsa found & spoke on a rabbit which they drove to ground in a ditch near the barn – a close call to end the day. Two soups, cheeses, crackers, cookies & other goodies were perfect for our petit field. Thanks to all who made it a lovely day, & thanks to Ryers’s for inviting us!

December 14 – Green Valleys at Welkinweir with Tea at the Farnham’s –A good hunt – there were rabbits & the hounds worked very well. Tea afterwards at the Farnhams was fabulous with the whole house decorated inside & out for Christmas & looking lovely! We feasted on wonderfully warming curried soup, fabulous rum cake, delicious quiche, Gene’s apple pie & lots of lovely sandwiches & cookies & everything looking lovely & elegant for the holidays! A wonderful time was had by everyone.

December 21 – Church Farm School with Christmas Tailgate Tea hosted by the elves & the Tea Committee – Bad start as the hounds took off after fox & deer but great tea given by the Tea Committee & elves! Delicious cheese & chutney & oysters & cream cheese sandwiches with hot soup & yummy lemon cake & lovely cookies. Souza was still missing after the tea but Jim went back after clean-up at kennels & she finally came to horn. Then, of course, he had to take her back to kennels to feed her & clean her up as she was pasted – which took another hour – another exhausting day for the Master of Hounds!

December 26 Boxing Day Meet at Allerton Farm Gate w/Tailgate Tea at Josie Parman’s Allerton Farm – A very warm day & everyone was happily discarding their warm outerwear! Hounds ran

three rabbits in the Hillside woods early on but ignored the deer that slipped through! Then off to Josie Parman’s for a wonderful Hunt Breakfast with a huge ham & that delicious bread! A great way to celebrate the holiday!

December 28 – Mr & Mrs. George Jefferis’s w/ Tailgate Tea –Nice day for our hunt at Jefferis. Seems the field saw a couple of rabbits that the hounds missed. Lovely B.Y.O. tea afterwards with mince pies, donuts, cheeses & crackers & Rosemary’s delicious hot ham & cheese rolls – perfect for a winter day!



Tea at the Farnham’s December 14

With grateful Thanks to Phyllis Allen & Jim & Marsha Scharnberg for help with this issue of Skylines

THE LAST OF THE ALGONQUINS

An Evening with Dorothy Parker & Robert Benchley

Written & performed by members Jonathan Schau & Melissa Hancock

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