



# 2022 Field Hunter Clinic & Poker Pace Event Weekend!

Clinic - Saturday, August 27 at Brown Hall (Owen County, KY)

(Ready to ride @ 9am)

Pace – Sunday, August 28 at Brown Hall

(1st ride @ 9am; Last ride @ 12:00pm)

**Trail riders, eventers and juniors are welcome, no formal attire required!**

**CLINIC:** Clinicians are experienced hunt members from Camargo Hunt Club, who will introduce you to the sport of foxhunting and guide you and your horse over coops, logs, and trails located in Camargo's beautiful, private Owen County hunt territory. There will also be hilltop (non-jumping) groups.

Clinic groups will be divided based on horse and rider ability. The clinic is approximately 2 hours, followed by a lunch (provided) during which we will hear more about the sport from the Camargo Hunt Masters.

All jumping riders should be prepared to jump 2'6" - 2'9". The terrain will consist of rolling hills, wooded trails, creeks, ditches and gates. Jumps will be coops, stone walls, logs, etc. All jumps are optional; if the instructor does not feel the pair should negotiate a specific obstacle she will say so (only experienced jumpers, please). No hounds will be present. During lunch we will have a couple of Camargo Hunt Masters as guest speakers. Lunch provided.

**CLINIC: Clinic Fee: \$85 per rider \*\*\*Trainers who bring 2 or more students ride for free!**

**POKER PACE:** Ride the beautiful trails of The Camargo Hunt Owen County fixture. This event is ridden in teams of 2-4 riders on a ribbon marked course through Hunt territory. All riders are welcome! There is an official optimum time set for the course. The optimum time varies for each division. The competitors do not know the optimum time. The team that finishes closest to the optimum time without going faster than that time is the winner. All courses have non jumping routes. There may be a variety of other obstacles to negotiate such as creek crossings or gates to open and close. Pace Ribbons and saddle pads awarded and Best Costume ribbons!

Throughout your pace, you will be building a poker hand at five check points overall. First and last check point at Brown Hall, three check points throughout the pace. Winning hands will be picking from prizes after lunch (must be present).

Attire for the weekend is not formal. Western saddles for hill-topping at the clinic and pace are acceptable. **Helmets and waivers are required both days.** All participating riders who ride at least one day will be offered ONE FREE CAP (Invitation) to join Camargo Hunt Club to ride with us in one of our hunts. Lunch is provided for all pace participants who register in advance.

**PACE: Fee (includes 1st poker hand): \$50 pace, \$20 each additional pace, \$10 each additional poker hand.**

## **Pace Divisions Offered:**

**First Flight:** Jumping/Galloping, this is the fastest group for more experienced riders. There is an option to go around jumps.

**Second Flight:** Some Trotting and Cantering expected, no jumping required, but there are jumping options.

**Hilltoppers/Trail:** Walk, trot, cantering if you please. This at a more leisurely pace, perfect for trail riders and more timid riders. Expect to be passed by faster teams and, where possible, you should move to the side and turn your horse's head to face the other horses in a hunting maneuver called "making way".

## **Awards offered for Best Costume, Best Junior Group (Under 18 yrs) and Highest Scoring First Timer Group (Never Hunted)**

### **Hunter Pace Etiquette:**

- Always look out for your teammates: listen to each other, don't leave anyone behind, don't put other riders in dangerous situations.
- When leading a team, you should always glance back to check on your teammates.
- Be aware of your horse's condition throughout, if it is hot and they are panting after a gallop, make sure to give them a good walk. Make sure you lead them into safe footing and breaks from rein contact.
- Keep your horses in an order when cantering/ galloping: it is not ok to go flying past other horses, you need to control your horse in the riding order determined by the team.
- Give proper space for jumping, if a horse refuses in front of you, there should be plenty of space for you to stop.
- If there is not another team immediately behind you, then you can have 1 re-try at a jump refusal, if the horse refuses again you need to keep moving. Remember this could affect your time. If there is a team in visible sight behind you, do not retry jumps and hold everyone up.
- Never let your horses nose get in another horse's rear end; this could cause the horse in front to kick out putting everyone in a dangerous position.
- Walk on downhill terrain.
- Ask before passing other teams and when they say it's ok, pass them at a walk.
- Keep horses on the trails: do not stray into open fields, there could be holes or other dangerous footing and it could be private property that we do not have permission to ride on, if the organizer gets feedback from landowners that their land has been damaged by galloping hooves, these events could be canceled in the future!
- Communicate to other riders in a relaxed and friendly manner.
- Enjoy the ride!



**Directions to Camargo Hunt's Brown Hall, Owen County, KY  
(trailer friendly)**

***GPS address 4215 Swope Rd, Owenton, KY 38°27'56.8"N 84°42'33.4"W***

**DIRECTIONS from CINCINNATI or LEXINGTON:**

Take I-75 to Exit #144 Corinth. Take Hwy 330 West for 1.7 miles. Turn left on Hwy 607. Travel for 3.9 miles. Just after you cross the concrete bridge, turn right on Hwy 2018. In approximately 1.5 miles, Hwy 1883 joins Hwy 2018. Continue on Hwy 2018 past the junction of Hwys 1883 and 2018 (approximately 1/2 mile). Continue past Phantom Ridge Farm on the left. Cross the creek and continue up the hill. Hwy 1883 turns off to the right. Continue straight until you see Brown Hall on the left.

**DIRECTIONS from I-71 (LOUISVILLE):**

From I-71, take Exit #57 Sparta/Owenton. Go South on Highway 35 for 4 miles. Hwy 35 becomes Hwy 22/127/227 going into Owenton. At the light (Marathon station) stay on 227. Stay on 227 when 127 turns off. In 2.0 miles, follow 227 to the right- Total mileage since I71 is 17.1 miles. Go right (South) on Hwy 227 1.9 miles to Hwy 330. Turn left on Hwy 330; you will pass Elk Creek Vineyards. Travel approximately 1.1 miles to right on Hwy 1883. Turn right on Hwy 1883, straight through the stop sign at Elk Lake. In 2.3 miles is the junction of 845 and 1883. Turn left then immediately turn right to stay on 1883. Continue approximately 3.1 miles to stop sign. Turn right onto 3013. Brown Hall will be on the left in about 1/2 mile.