# Poker Run Ride & Hunter's Pace Weekend

## Saturday, October 17th (Poker Run)
## Sunday, October 18th (Hunter's Pace)

On Saturday, October 17th join us for the LLH Poker Ride. Participants will get to preview of the Pace course riding at their own speed through the beautiful countryside, drawing a playing card at different checkpoints. After visiting all the checkpoints, riders head to the finish line to then reveal their poker hand. Whoever has the best poker hand will win a prize. The two best poker hands will get a prize.

Then on Sunday, October 18th you can join us again for the Hunter's Pace at the same location. A Hunter's Pace is a competition where horses and riders follow a well marked trail. Prior to the event, Long Lake Hounds Masters ride the trail at the speed that the Field Hunter (trot/canter/gallop) and Hill Topper (walk/trot/canter) flights would go if they were hunting. The Masters pace time is the optimal time and considers the terrain and footing conditions. There will be 8-12 jumps spaced around the course, all of which are optional. Competitors go out in teams of two, three or no more than four to ride the trail. Each group of riders is timed. The group that comes closest to the optimal time for each division wins the competition.

## FAQ on Poker Rider:

**What speed do I ride?**
This is a leisure trail ride, go at your own speed but ALWAYS ASK BEFORE YOU PASS. This is NOT a timed event.

**How big can my group be?**
Each person will have their own poker hand so you can come by yourself, or ride with a group, up to five.

**Do I have a start time like the Pace?**
No, we will not be doing start times but will be spacing horses out on the course so everyone doesn't leave at the same time. Once you are tacked up and ready, come to the starting point and we will send you out on the course. The first horse will go out at 9:00 and the last horse can leave at 11:00.

**I have always wanted to do a Pace but was afraid it was too fast for me, is this a good option?**
YES! This is a great opportunity to see the beautiful trails we get to hunt without the excitement and speed of a hunt or a Pace.

**How much does it cost to ride the LLH Poker Run Ride?**
Non Member Adults are $60, Non Member Juniors will be $30
Member Adults $35, Member Juniors $15

**How long will the trail ride be?**
It will be 4-5 miles of trails along fields and woods.

**How do the checkpoints work to get my playing card?**
Different style cards will be placed in envelopes at 7 checkpoints along the course. The envelopes will be in boxes along the trail. Take only one envelope and do not open until you make it to the finish line to reveal your poker hand. Take one envelope from each of the seven checkpoints and then play your best five cards at the finish line.

**How will winners be determined?**
Poker hands will be collected at the finish line. Once all riders have returned, the best four poker hands will be determined. If there is a tie, the rider with the highest extra two cards will win. Winners will be notified via email and can choose their prize that will be mailed to them, or picked up at the Pace the following day if the rider is riding again.

**Do I have to ride the Hunter's Pace on Sunday as well?**
No, you can do one event or both.

**How do I register?**
Visit ***www.longlakehounds.com*** to register.

**I have more questions, how can I ask?**
Send us an email at ***thelonglakehounds@gmail.com.***