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The Croome & West Warwickshire Foxhounds
2007-2008 Season

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Thank you on behalf of everyone involved in organising the Croome and West Warwickshire for your valued support last season. Subscriptions came in promptly and willingly which helps the cash flow enormously. We had a good response to the new membership initiative for the Countryside Alliance and really felt everyone was pulling together to help their hunt.

We continued to hunt legally using exemptions within the Hunting Act. We had a team of Masters who worked hard on your behalf to provide entertainment and sport whilst never forgetting the needs of our friends, the farmers and landowners who support us through these difficult times. Our eagle Boss has matured and learnt his job and his handlers, Peter, Ian and George have enjoyed working with him. We are lucky that he has a good temperament and is adaptable. Peter, our huntsman has shown

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Peter Astle

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good sport and crosses the country very well with all his horses. We bought a new horse, Joey who has proved to be very capable and of course, Jane has continued to produce the hunt horses always looking fit and immaculately turned out. Peter is a good hound man and he was upset when we lost almost a month's hunting in January to kennel cough, however hounds recovered more quickly than some packs and were soon flying again.

Despite all this positive reporting we cannot accept the situation we are in as the status quo and must work towards the repeal of the Hunting Act. David Cameron has given us a pledge that he will repeal the Act if elected and so we must work towards getting the Conservatives back into power. Hunts will be called on to help with canvassing and leaflet dropping and we must all do our bit to help, so that we can remove the constant shadow under

which we are operating now, once and for all. On the financial front we have lost the Cotswold Vale hounds from our kennels, which results in a substantial drop in income, plus our buildings are old and costly to maintain. We have increased subscriptions a little this year but they are still now only just above pre-ban levels, when we reduced them, as we were not sure if we would even be able to turn out twice a week. Over nearly the last ten years subscriptions have remained largely the same and costs have certainly not stayed static! Please bear in mind that the income from riding members and car followers barely covers half the cost of running the hunt.

We look forward to welcoming you all in the new season and remember that we all have a part to play in keeping our hunt flourishing.

Subscriptions for the Season 2007 - 2008

Autumn Hunting:	Hunting Farmers £350 donation (nothing more to pay on day) - to include Autumn Hunting) or £250 plus £20 on day.
Adults and Juniors £15.00	Children 16 years and under: £200 (to include Autumn Hunting) (all inclusive - nothing more to pay) or £15 on day
Main Season Subscriptions:	Children under 10: £75 (to include Autumn Hunting) (all inclusive - nothing more to pay) or £10 a day
Senior Persons:	Tickets £350 for six tickets
£800 (any day) (to include Autumn Hunting) (all inclusive - nothing more to pay on day)	Point to Point qualifiers To be arranged with Hon Sec
£550 (Saturdays only nothing more to pay on day, does NOT include Autumn Hunting)	Visitors £40 (max. 3 days)
£450 (Tuesdays only nothing more to pay on day, does NOT include Autumn Hunting)	Non-riding members £50 min
Junior persons (17-25)	Membership of the Countryside Alliance is expected and can be arranged through Hon Secretary.
£275 (all inclusive - nothing more to pay to include Autumn Hunting) or £20 on day	

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Would all adults (over 19 yrs) please put their Countryside Alliance membership number on the back of their subscription cheques.