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Spring Plate Meet Scheduled May 22nd

Due to Chesterfield County needing the Fairgrounds on May 22, we've moved the meet to a covered, open-air pavilion, which qualifies as an outdoor structure, at the Hanover-Cold Harbor Ruritan Park in Mechanicsville, VA (just northeast of Richmond). This meet will be held rain or shine. However, a lot can happen between now and then that we have no way to anticipate, so everything about this meet continues to be subject to change as the pandemic situation evolves.

The Ruritan Park pavilion is quite large and has approximately 40 picnic tables under roof. We do not anticipate running out of tables, and therefore are not taking reservation for tables under the pavilion. However, we encourage any sellers so willing to bring their own tables, chairs, canopy tents, etc. and set up on the adjacent parking area or lawn, in order to have as much social distancing as possible and reduce the spread of germs. If you'd like to set up outside the pavilion but don't have your own table, or can't fit a table in your vehicle, we can provide you with the folding tables you want if you request them in advance. Contact meet host Larry Haake (heykey4@gmail.com) and he can arrange to have folding table(s) waiting for you at the meet. Regardless, you might want to bring a lawn chair to sit on during the auction. (Continue page 2)



The Hanover Ruritan Park is located at 8145 Walnut Grove Road in Mechanicsville (23111). Just a few miles from I-295 and US360.

Meet Auction!

SATURDAY, MAY 22ND
Hanover Ruritan Park
8145 Walnut Grove Road
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

We'll be having an auction during our Spring Meet on May 22nd. A collection of over 800 plates has been donated to the ALPCA Chesapeake Region. Here are few plates that will be available...



Spring Meeting Info...

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Due to the ongoing covid pandemic, as well as the large number of plates we will be auctioning, we expect this meet will be quite different than past meets at this location. We will not have a display theme nor give out awards. Soft drinks, water bottles, and individually wrapped snacks will be available, but unfortunately we will not be able to provide coffee, donuts or pizza. Please plan accordingly and you are welcome to bring your own coffee. (fast food restaurants and gas stations are near by).

Summer Meet coming August 28th

Our summer meet is at a new location and will be two weeks later than normal this year. We'll be under the pavilion at American Legion Post 200, 4600 Legion Lane, Hampstead, MD 21074, north of Baltimore, on Saturday, August 28. This meet is in the planning stage and details are still being worked out. Contact meet host and region president Rick Kretschmer if you have questions

Face masks will be required. Every attempt to carry on our meet in a safe way will be done. Face masks will be available as well as hand sanitizer. Because of the possibility that the meet may have to be cancelled on short notice, or we have to limit the number of attendees, or any number of other possibilities, we need to know in advance if you are planning to attend the meet whether you need tables or not. That way if we need to contact you should our plans change we'll be able to. Don't forget also during the meet we will be holding elections for our region's board. We need volunteers so please let us know if you're available! This event is not open to the general public. ALPCA members in good standing and their family members or other non-collector guests are welcome, of course. License plate collectors who wish to attend but are not currently ALPCA members, please contact region president Rick Kretschmer (rickkret@gmail.com)

For Information and questions about the spring meet, contact meet hosts Reid Williamson, ALPCA #5198, and Larry Haake, ALPCA #12770. To let them know you're planning to attend, or for additional information, or to volunteer, contact Reid via e-mail at geopathman@gmail.com or by telephone at 703-629-3762, or contact Larry via e-mail at heykey4@gmail.com or by telephone at 804-651-6843. Larry lives in Mechanicsville and can probably readily answer any questions you may have regarding directions or nearby amenities.



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