Virginia Trail Riders Archive

Name: Virginia Trail Riders, Inc.  
Materials: Photographs, documents, memorabilia, clippings  
Dates: 1957-2015  
Volume: 0.5 cubic feet  
Donation: Virginia Trail Riders, (c/o Martha Rodgers), 2016  
Usage: Unless otherwise stated by NSL staff, these records are open for research without restrictions.

Historical Note

The Virginia Trail Riders (VTR) is a private equestrian organization that hosts two long-distance trail rides each year. VTR was founded in 1957 by George Cole Scott of Richmond with 43 original members as a means of promoting endurance riding and recreational trail riding in Virginia. Through the years, some of Virginia’s leading equestrian figures have ridden with VTR, including Alexander Mackay-Smith, Mrs. Archibald Randolph, and Paul Mellon. Today, VTR hosts trail rides that grant access to trails and retreats of the Nature Conservancy as well as private landowners.

Collection Description

The Virginia Trail Riders Archive consists of organizational documents, memorabilia, clippings, and other scrapbook ephemera documenting the history of the Virginia Trail Riders, Inc. Materials are in two scrapbooks: (1) Organizational Documents, including minutes, by-laws, charter, and other founding documents; and (2) Scrapbook including Trail Ride Programs, photographs, and clippings; Summer 2016 issue of The Virginia Sportsman is tipped in (VTR feature on page 22).
Series and Subseries

I. **Historic Materials** 2 scrapbooks
Founding documents, clippings, and photographs of the history of the Virginia Trail Riders.

**Container List**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Contents</th>
<th>Dates</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MC0049 01</td>
<td>Founding Documents, Minutes, Records</td>
<td>1957-1965</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MC0049 02</td>
<td>Clippings, Memorabilia, Photographs</td>
<td>1958-2016</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This collection was processed by John Connolly, November 2016.