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**Warrenton Hunt
Photograph Album
1936-1937**

Name: **Warrenton Hunt (est. 1887)** **MC0032**

Materials: Photograph Album

Dates: 1936-1937

Volume: 1.0 cubic feet (1 document box)

Donation: Gift of Eva C. Stewart, 1969

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Historical Note

The Warrenton Hunt was established in 1887 and formally incorporated in 1889 for "the purpose of hunting foxes in the County of Fauquier and adjoining counties... and for training horses to jump and otherwise improving them for sale." The first MFH was James Maddux, who served in that capacity four times for a total of twelve years; other notable MFHs were Sterling Larrabee, Julian Keith, Amory Carhart, and Douglas H. Lees, Jr. Dick Bywaters served as Huntsman for 40 years from 1938 to 1978, and it is to his expertise in the breeding of foxhounds that the Hunt owes the quality of its hounds. The Hunt was able to survive through the Great Depression and all the wars of the 20th century, even when many of its staff joined the service. The precursor of today's Warrenton Hunt Point to Point was held in 1934. The hunt symbol, designed by Mrs. Keith, features a fox in front of four trees which form the initials "W H" in the background. The Hunt celebrated its centennial in 1987, and today still boasts a thriving membership.

Collection Description

The Warrenton Hunt Photograph Album consists of 16 black and white photographs taken and compiled by noted author, illustrator, and photographer Bert Clark Thayer during the hunting season of 1936-1937.

Series and Subseries

- I. Photograph Album, 1936-1937** **1 album**
 Oversized brown leather album containing 16 black and white photographs mounted on heavy paper, separated by handmade paper. No identification of photographs, although the front of the album identifies the hounds, riders, and hunt country as those of the Warrenton Hunt in the 1936-1937 season.

Container List
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I. Photograph Album

<u>Location</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Dates</u>
MC0032 01	Album of 16 photographs of Warrenton Hunt	1936-1937

This collection was processed by Michele M. Tourney, July 2004.