VIRGINIA
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
SURVEY FORM

Historic name: Bull Run Chapel
Other name: 8th Va. Regiment Chapter Memorial Building
County/Town/City: Prince William County
Street address or route number: 260 Loggill Rd., Hickory Grove (Haymarket P.O.), Va.

USGS Quad: Middleburg 7.5
Date or period: 1914, 1917
Original owner: Trustees of 8th Va. Regiment
Present owner: Trustees of 8th Va. Regiment

Memorial Chapel to 8th Va. Regiment
Original use: Chapel
Present use: Church

Source of name: Albert Spool, architect

Cornerstone, Mrs. Pauline Padgett

Present use: 4105 N. Atlas Lane, Haymarket. Foundation and wall const'n Stone (foundation, frame w.
Acres: 1 acre
Roof type: Gable with pressed metal roof.

State condition of structure and environs: Fair condition, but vandalized twice recently.

State potential threats to structure: Neglect, disuse, lack of maintenance.
Note any archaeological interest:

Should be investigated for possible register potential? Yes

Architectural description (Note significant features of plan, structural system and interior and exterior decoration, taking care to point out aspects not visible or clear from photographs. Explain nature and period of all alterations and additions. List any outbuildings and their approximate ages, cemeteries, etc.):
On a small (-1 acre), fenced, rectangular lot carved from a field at Hickory Grove, this memorial chapel and meeting hall is a 1-story frame, 5-bay structure with a pressed-tin gable roof. Rubble stone foundation about 3 feet off ground. One-story gable roofed porch on brick pillars on front, dating to 1917. Chapel is covered with channeled siding painted white. Green trim. Double, 5-panel gothic arch door that opens inward. Windows: 2/2 sash, multi-pan colored red and white and topped with gothic arch. Box cornice, double cornerboards. Corner stone, right front, inscribed and dated 1914.

Interior: Cathedral ceiling. Height to plate: 11 feet; to roof ridge: 22 feet. Interior is the golden brown color of old pine. Interior covered with 3" wide tongue and groove pine (7) stained and varnished and laid vertically from floor to moulded chair rail, which run all around, at about 36" from floor. Interior boards laid in herringbone pattern from chair rail to plate, with the direction reversing over each window. Main door: 7'3" tall. Window trimmed with 4 3/4" wide, stained and varnished plain pine with rounded corners. Floor: yel pine, 24" wide tongue and groove, random lengths. Roof contains 4 trusses 6" square on the side, bolted together. Light fixtures dangle from vertical pendants. Ceiling: tongue and groove, 33" wide, laid on the diagonal. Platform at the rear, 2 feet off floor and 4 feet deep, flanked by pair of steps. Brick stove chimney projects into room, center, west side. Stove missing. Rear door: 6 panels. Furnishings: several dozen folding chairs, piano, bookcases. Pictures, museum exhibits, and window plaques stolen in 1964 or later.

Interior inspected? Yes

Historical significance (Chain of title; individuals, families, events, etc., associated with the property):
The 8th Virginia Regiment Chapter of the U.D.C. is a service organization formed to memorialize the soldiers who served in the 8th Virginia Regiment. Besides the construction of Bull Run Memorial Chapel and meeting place, this Chapter of the U.D.C. also erected in 1930 a monument in St. Paul's Church, a memorial to 80 soldiers who died in the church when it was a hospital after the First Battle of Bull Run.
The hall, which was used as a monthly meeting place by this chapter, was built on a lot in Hickory Grove purchased from Mr. T.R. Galleher for $25. The chapel cost $640. Mrs. May Galleher donated the marble cornerstone, which bears the following inscription:

1914

Erected by the 8th Regt. Chapter UDC in memory of the heroes who served in the 8th Va. Regt. C.S.A.

A. M. Ewell, author of the recollections cited below, was the Chapter historian in the 1920's and 30's. In 1964 four of the original members of the 8th Va. Regiment Chapter were still alive. The chapter is now being reorganized and expects to soon re-occupy Bull Run Chapel.

Form No. VHLC-01-004
BULL RUN CHAPEL (76-102), PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
My file also has a photo of the Bull Run Chapel that I will scan and e-mail to you. Let me know if you have any other questions.


Historic name: Bull Run Chapel
Other names: 8th Va. Regiment Memorial
County: Prince William
City: Middleburg
Street address: High Street N.W. (corner of Main Street), Middleburg, VA 20117
Date of completion: 1864

The Bull Run Chapel is a historic monument commemorating the 8th Virginia Regiment. Constructed in 1864, the chapel was erected in memory of the soldiers who served in the 8th Virginia Regiment during the Civil War. The building is significant for its architectural style and its role as a place of worship and remembrance for the soldiers who lost their lives in the conflict.

The structure features a simple, rectangular design with a gabled roof, typical of rural church architecture. The materials used in the construction include local stones and timbers, which have withstood the test of time. The interior is modest, with wooden pews and a simple altar, reflecting the modesty of the soldiers and their families.

The Bull Run Chapel serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by the soldiers of the 8th Virginia Regiment and the historical events that shaped the nation's past. It stands as a testament to the enduring spirit of dedication and service that continues to inspire future generations.

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re: Racetrack Property
date: 5 July 1999
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Memorandum

To: Debra K. Karnes, FWC Planning Office

From: Jim Burgess, PWC Historical Commission

Subject: Equestrian Racetrack at Hickory Grove

There seems to be some confusion in your office regarding the historic resources in the vicinity of the proposed racetrack. This is reflected by your memo of July 1 and our telephone conversation on the subject. First of all the locality is known as HICKORY GROVE (not Locust Grove). The site is situated in the NORTHEAST corner of Rt. 15 and Logmill Rd. The Old Carolina Road bisects the property and the two Coe Houses but both houses are on the east side of Route 15.

The Bull Run Chapel’s only association with the Civil War was as a meeting hall for the 8th Virginia Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC). The building dates to 1914 and its site has no Civil War significance. The monument erected by the 8th Virginia Chapter UDC in 1930 and described in the survey form is NOT at Hickory Grove. It can be found at St. Paul’s Church in Haymarket.

I visited the Bull Run Chapel this morning before it got too hot. Despite years of neglect the building seems in sound condition and is restorable. It is currently shrouded by overgrown vegetation and well protected by poison ivy, ticks and snakes. It might be more vulnerable to vandalism in the winter. The property is posted.

The Fairview Horse Center occupies the surrounding acreage. It is generally open pasture. No graves/cemeteries are known to be on the property. Due to the heat, I elected not to confirm this by personal examination.

Three archeological sites (44PW228, 44PW229, 44PW230) are shown on the county historic resources map along Black Branch at the northern section of the property. All of these sites have yielded lithic scatter. The site survey forms for 44PW229 and 44PW230 recommend more survey work and I must defer to the judgement of the archeologists. Phase II surveys may be in order.

The Coe House (west of Old Carolina Rd) and earlier (c. 1865) log cabin (east of Old Carolina Rd) are the only remaining historic structures situated on the proposed racetrack property. They may be adversely impacted by the development. Since the village of Hickory Grove did not exist at the time of the Civil War (see A Virginia Scene, p. 52), the significance of the Coe houses must be viewed in the context of the post-war period and the neighborhood as a whole.
The Old Carolina Road was a corridor for the movement of Union and Confederate troops throughout the Civil War period so the road trace is the only historic feature on the subject property that has any Civil War significance. It is important to note that troops could have bivouacked in adjoining fields anywhere along this route.

While no fighting can be documented on the subject property, there was a noteworthy incident in which John S. Mosby and about 25 of his men were ambushed by Union troops on June 22, 1863 at Ewell's (Grace) Chapel, situated just outside the northwest corner of the tract. General Meade had received good intelligence that Mosby would be passing through Dr. Ewell's farm from the Bull Run Mountains. With a small detachment of the 17th Pennsylvania Cavalry exposed as bait, 100 men of the 14th U.S. Infantry remained concealed near the church. Upon seeing the Union cavalry, Mosby attacked as expected and when near the church the Union infantry opened fire. Mosby's men scattered and escaped with only three wounded. There was only one fatality, Sgt. Martin Aumiller of Co. D, 17th Pennsylvania Cavalry. His body was buried by residents of the area presumably near the church.

If proffers are sought by the county for this rezoning/SUP, I would recommend the funding of a historical marker on Rt 15 commemorating the above event.

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