

# July/Aug Activities Update

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## Hunt Trail Ride on Sunday 2:00pm



Metamora Hunt Members and guests are invited to join us for a fun trail ride this Sunday July 30th at 2:00pm. Riders and horses will leave the Hunt Kennels (5614 Barber Rd., Metamora, MI 48455) promptly at 2:00pm. Please come and join us, this will be a fun trail ride!

**Always check the recorded message at the Hunt Kennels (810-678-2711) for event related updates.**

Trail Rides are offered at no charge to current Metamora Hunt Members (Riding Members, Benefactors, Social Members, and Friends of the Hunt for 2017-2018). A \$20 donation to the support of our hounds is accepted from all additional riders.

Safety is always our first concern. An approved riding helmet must be worn while mounted. The Hunt reserves the right to accept or turn away riders as it sees fit. A Hold Harmless Liability Release must be signed for the Metamora Hunt. Just click on:

<http://www.metamorphunt.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/2012Release.pdf>

For additional information contact Bob  
Carden: [rrrcarden@gmail.com](mailto:rrrcarden@gmail.com) or 586.907.8594.

## **Fox Hunting Clinic**

The Metamora Hunt will host an introduction to fox hunting clinic on Saturday, August 5th at the Hunt Kennels: 5614 Barber Rd, Metamora, MI 48455. The Clinic is designed to teach the Metamora Hunt II Pony Club members about fox hunting, but anyone interested in learning about hunting with the Metamora Hounds is also invited to participate.

There is no fee for Pony Club members, or for current members of the Metamora Hunt (Riding Members, Benefactors of the Hunt, Social Members, and Friends of the Hunt). Others interested in attending will be included as space permits.

**All attendees must RSVP** as attendance is limited to 30 additional participants over and above the Pony Club members attending. Please be sure to bring a chair, refreshments are provided. RSVP to: [glenwoodfarm@yahoo.com](mailto:glenwoodfarm@yahoo.com).

A hold harmless must be signed to participate. See the Metamora Hunt website to print one ahead of time and sign to save time at registration.

Registration opens at 8:30am. The Clinic begins promptly at 9am.

## **AGENDA**

### **METAMORA HUNT FOXHUNTING CLINIC**

**Saturday, August 5, 2017**

**8:30 AM REGISTRATION OPENS –**

**o HOLD HARMLESS? VISIT METAMORA HUNT WEBSITE AND PRINT ONE & SIGN. THIS WILL SPEED**

**UP REGISTRATION TIME.**

· **9AM WELCOME. INTRO AND REVIEW SCHEDULE.**

· **9 – 10 WALK OUT HOUNDS. LEARN ABOUT THE HOUNDS.**

· **10 AM RETURN TO KENNELS.**

· **BREAK INTO 4 GROUPS.**

· **4 LEARNING STATIONS 15 MIN EACH**

**1. WHIPPERS IN AND ROAD WHIPS. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. LEARN TO CRACK A WHIP.**

**2. PROPER CONDUCT AT A MEET. SAFETY. RULES, ETIQUETTE, CLOTHES. HUNT SECRETARY'S ROLE.**

**BREAK (10 MIN- SNACK)**

**3. A HORSE FOR HUNTING. TACK. RIBBONS IN TAILS. GETTING YOUR HORSE AND SELF READY TO HUNT. HACKING/TRAILERING TO THE MEET. HUNT STAFF BARN TOUR**

**4. MASTER OF FOXHOUNDS/FIELD MASTER PROPER CONDUCT WHILE HUNTING/RIDING TO HOUNDS. VIDEO**

· **KENNEL TOUR AT 11:30 AM. THE ROLE OF THE HUNTSMAN**

· **SUMMARY. REMINDER TO ATTEND JUNIOR HUNT ON AUGUST 7. EVEN ON FOOT TO COMPLETE THE CLINIC. OPTION FOR PONY CLUBBERS TO BE QUIZED AT END OF CLINIC.**

· **CLINIC ENDS PROMPTLY AT NOON.**

· **OPTIONAL QUIZ: NOON TO 12:30 PM**

o **PRESELECTED QUESTIONS TO ALIGN WITH KEY WORDS AND CHECK FOR LEARNING**

o **REQUIRED FOR PONY CLUB MEMBERS TO EARN CERTIFICATE & PIN.**

## Metamora Hunt Country Stable Tour

August 13th.

### METAMORA HUNT COUNTRY STABLE TOUR



<b>WHAT IS IT?</b>	The Stable Tour is a self-guided tour of six area horse farms in Metamora.
<b>WHY?</b>	It is a chance for people to drive through the beautiful Metamora Hunt Country and see some of the stables and barns - up close and personal! Six different private stables are open for public parties to walk through, ask the owners questions and see what makes this area such an equine destination.
<b>WHAT DOES IT COST?</b>	The cost is \$25.00 per adult, \$5.00 for kids under 12 years of age. The money is used to maintain the bridle paths in Metamora Hunt Country.
<b>WHEN IS IT?</b>	Sunday August 13 <sup>th</sup> from 12noon to 4:00pm
<b>HOW DOES IT WORK?</b>	Show up at the <b>Hunt Kennels 5614 Barber Road, Metamora - Between 11am - 2:00pm</b> at the Kennels, you will be given a map with the locations of the six stables that are featured on this year's tour. You will follow the map to visit each of the stables. Volunteers will be at each farm to direct you on where to park and to answer any questions.
<b>HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?</b>	Approximately two to three hours.
<b>WHICH CARS DOY PICKUP?</b>	You can buy tickets in advance either at the White Horse or by calling Hunt Master Joe Maday (810-678-8384) - or buy them on the day of the event at the Kennels.
<b>WHY SHOULD I BUY?</b>	Don't miss out and the weather.
<b>WHAT IF IT RAINS?</b>	The tour is held rain or shine - so dress appropriately.
<b>HOW ARE THE ROADS?</b>	The roads are gravel so watch out for dirt and other roadkill critters. Give horses and riders the right of way - stop or pass them very slowly.

The Stable Tour on August 13th makes a perfect activity when entertaining weekend guests or attending a nearby horse show! The Tour includes six stables that display a variety of styles and equine disciplines. If you have friends or family that may be interested in the Stable Tour, please forward this to them.

Tickets for adults are \$25 and will be available the day of Tour beginning at 11:00 am at the Metamora Hunt Kennels at 5614 Barber Road, Metamora, MI 48455. You may also buy tickets in advance by calling Mr. Joe Maday at 810-678-8384. Pay by cash or check payable to Metamora Hunt. Admission is \$5 for children under 12. Children must be accompanied by an adult ticket holder.

All proceeds go toward the maintenance and preservation of bridle paths throughout the 100 sq. mile area comprising the "Metamora Hunt Country." **Directions, map, and a detailed description of showcased stables to be provided**

on the day of the Tour upon ticket pick up or purchase at the Hunt Kennels.

For additional information call: 810-678-8384.

## Youth Hunt on August 7th



The 2017 season is here and kicks off with the Youth Hunt next Monday, August 7th. at 9 a.m. leaving from the Kennels at 5614 Barber Road. Be mounted no later than 8:45 so that you can enjoy refreshments. If trailering, we suggest you unload by 8:15. It is no fun to rush.

A Hold Harmless Liability Release must be signed for all riders. Junior Riders must have their Liability Release signed by a Parent.

To download just click on:

<http://www.metamora-hunt.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/2012Release.pdf>

The Youth Hunt is only open to juniors, plus parents, trainers or others accompanying them, and a few selected staff riders. Dress is "Ratcatcher," meaning attire suitable for a horse show. Helmets are mandatory. However, anyone who does not have show-type clothing is still more than welcome to join in.

Contact one of the Masters for permission and any advice you may need:

Mr. Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Mr. Ken Matheis: 248.431.4093

**Mrs. Deborah Bates Pace: 810.678.8762**

## **Fixture Cards Now by Email**

**Fixture Cards for the early part of the fox hunting season will go out in the next week or so.**

**New This Year: Fixture Cards will be delivered via email!**

**Delivering fixture cards by email allows us to distribute them more quickly and more accurately.**

**Please be sure that we have your current email address!**

**If you are in doubt that we have your current email address, please email Mr. Joe Maday at [metamora2@aol.com](mailto:metamora2@aol.com) or call Joe at: 810.678.8384**

**If you do not have an email address, please contact Joe Maday to make other arrangements.**

**We look forward to seeing you at Hunt meets starting in August!**