

Metamora Hunt Newsletter

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www.metamorahunt.com

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Hunts go out every Wednesday, and Saturday mid- August to mid-April, weather permitting.

Please contact

michelle1mortier@gmail.com for a complete list of locations, dates and times.

Metamora Hunt Website:

www.metamorahunt.com

Always call the Hunt Hotline: 810.678.2711

for weather or information updates on any

Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



2018 marks the Metamora Hunt's 90th season and we hope you will be able to join us at this year's Hunt Ball. The venue this year is "Puddle View" once the Buhl family country home near Leonard.

Marcia Turner and her team are hard at work to make it a very memorable evening. Please contact Marcia at 248.515.3229 for details.

Additional News:

Metamora Hunt Subscriptions

Subscription forms were mailed to our Riding and Non Riding Members earlier this month. Please renew your subscription to the Hunt soon. If you

Hunt related event.

are not currently a Metamora Hunt Member, but would like to join us, please contact our Honorary Secretary Michelle Mortier for information: 586.914.5802.

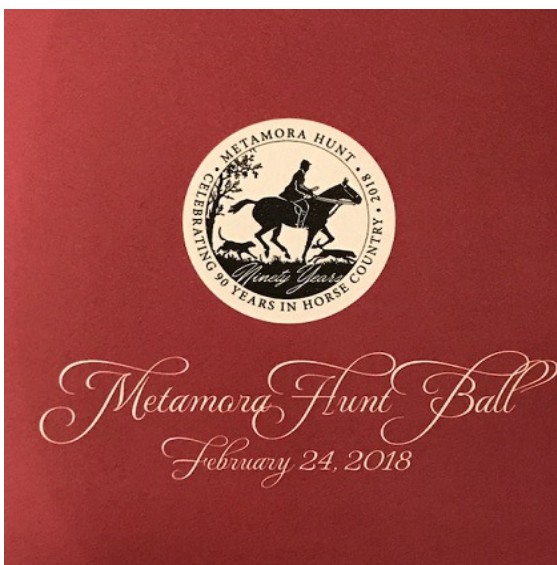
Subscription forms are available on the Hunt website:

<http://www.metamora-hunt.com>

Save the Date!

Metamora Hunt Ball - February 24, 2018

New Location: The Buhl Estate at Addison Oaks



The invitations are in the mail! We hope you are saving Saturday, February 24th, for our annual Hunt Ball in the historic Buhl mansion at Addison Oaks in Leonard, MI. The award-winning band, Chateau, (selected #1 band in Michigan by The Knot magazine), is tuning up, so choose your party clothes and get ready to dance the

A two payment option is available, as is payment by credit card. You will note on the form that an Early Payment price is available to Riding Members that submit their applications with payment before March 31, 2018. This is a significant discount and the terms will not be extended for those applications not received by March 31st.

Become a Benefactor-Social Member-Friend of the Hunt:

The Hunt hosts activities throughout the year that provide opportunities for participation in the social aspects of our Club and our sport. Those interested in becoming Non Riding Members may join for a very reasonable fee.

Please note: Most of our Riding Memberships, as well as Social Memberships and Benefactors of the Hunt, now include dining privileges at the Hunters Creek Club. Please be sure to renew your Metamora Hunt Membership right away so that you can make a reservation for the Hunters Creek: Valentine Dinner, Father's Day Dinner, or their Lobster Bake!

For additional information and membership application, please contact our Hon. Secretary

night away.



Foxhunters love to party, and midwinter is a great time to do so. The Hunt Ball is a long-standing tradition amongst foxhunts worldwide in which members of the hunt and guests enjoy an evening of revelry, fine dining, and dancing to celebrate another season of doing what we love, sharing with others the sporting way of life. These are traditionally black-tie affairs where women dress in evening gowns and men wear tuxedos or “scarlet if convenient”. This term is directed toward the gentlemen members of the hunt who have been awarded their “colors”. Those men wear a scarlet coat with tails that sport the hunts’ colors on the lapel.

This year is the ninetieth anniversary Metamora Hunt Ball and we have chosen a Great Gatsby theme to complement our founding in 1928. While formal attire is always appropriate, feel free to have fun in “Gatsby” fashion.

The evening starts at 6:00PM with a cocktail hour with complimentary bar and a silent auction. A sit-down dinner follows and then dancing until midnight. Don’t forget to tune up for the annual horn blowing contest judged by our esteemed Huntsman, Adrian Smith.

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: michelle1mortier@gmail.com

Introductory Membership Offer: To accommodate riders who have never been members of a fox hunt, the Metamora Hunt is again offering an Introductory Membership for the 2018-2019 Hunt Season.

For information on this very affordable, full season offer with unlimited hunts, or for additional information on all Memberships, please contact our Honorary Secretary Michelle Mortier: 586-914-5802
michelle1mortier@gmail.com

Member Participation Form:

We have included a Member Participation in the Membership mailings. Many people have asked “How can I get involved with the Metamora Hunt?” The Member Participation form that has been sent with membership invitations will help us to match volunteers and activities in their best ways possible. We have activities year-round, so the form gives an idea of where, when and in what capacities we would appreciate help.

We value the MANY ways that people contribute to the Metamora Hunt. So many folks give us a few hours here and there to keep things running. We simply wish to open the opportunities for more supporters to see how they can choose to participate with the Hunt. Virtually all of the



You do not have to be a member of the Metamora Hunt to attend. Think about friends who would enjoy a formal black-tie ball with an equestrian theme. The more people attending the ball, the more fun we will all have. Put a group together and RSVP as soon as possible to assure a table with your friends.

If you think of anyone who would like to receive an invitation, please contact Marcia Turner at mbkennels@aol.com or 248.515.3229 – phone or text.

Silent Auction



Each year, the Silent Auction at the Hunt Ball proves to be an exciting part of the

activities on the Participation Form have some social aspect, and you will find us welcoming and truly appreciative.

Our Non-Riding members (Benefactors, Social Members and Friends of the Hunt) are welcome and encouraged to participate. Our Riding members are required to participate.

Member Participation forms are available on the Hunt website:

[http://www.metamorahunt.com/forms/.](http://www.metamorahunt.com/forms/)

Pony Club News

By Lisa McCormack

In January we held both of our meetings at the Oxford Library in one of their meeting rooms. It is a very nice facility and we feel fortunate to be able to use it.

Our region's Quiz Rally will be held in March in Indiana. So for our first meeting, two of our upper level members, Moriah and Alison, reviewed with the club members some Quiz Rally rules. They then had the club work on a practice exam for the written phase of Quiz Rally.

Our second meeting included more planning for the upcoming Quiz Rally Prep that our club is holding for the Great Lakes Region. It will take place on February 17 at Turrill Elementary in Lapeer. Our club members helped out by making models of x-country jumps for one of the station subjects at the Quiz Prep.

evening. This year's auction will include items donated by our Members, Guests and Hunt Supporters, including activities such as golf at private clubs, clays shooting (with lesson if desired), dinners, riding lessons and more! Donated Items include jewelry, art, gift certificates, photography and gift baskets. The proceeds from the Auction help support the Hunt and the Metamora Countryside.



Please contact auction chairperson Michelle Mortier (586) 914-5802 or michelle1mortier@gmail.com to donate an activity, an item or gift certificate to your favorite restaurant, spa or retail store. We will be happy to arrange to pick your item up, or donations may be left at Old Magnolia Farm on Hosner Road north of Oakwood Road, in the tack room.

Lots of links:

Here are links to interesting activities and equine services in the Metamora countryside:

Metamora Hunt:

www.metamorahunt.com

Calendar of Events

Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora Hunt Ball

by invitation, Saturday, February 24, 2018

New Location: The Buhl Estate at Addison Oaks

Contact Marcia Turner: 248-515-3229

Metamora Hunt - Earth Day Clean Up

Saturday, April 21, 2018

Contact Ken Matheis: 248.431.4093

Metamora Hunt - Trail Rides

Saturday am or Sunday pm

in April, May, June, July

Contact Bob Carden: 586.907.8594

Metamora Hunt - Trail Trimming Days

Select dates in April, May, June, July

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis: 248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Photo:

www.metamoraphoto.com

Masters of Fox Hounds Assoc:

www.mfha.org

Metamora II Pony Club:

www.glrpc.org

Metamora Chamber of Commerce:

www.metamorachamber.org

Metamora Carriage and Driving Association:

www.metamoracarriagedriving.com

Banbury Cross Therapeutic Equestrian Center:

www.banburycrosstec.org

Bedrock Stable B&B:

www.bedrockstablees.com

Crooked House B&B

www.crookedhousefarm.com

Crescent Ridge Farms:

Metamora Hunt - Summer Hunter Pace

Date TBD

Contact Diane Kangas: 248.842.3094

Metamora Hunt - Landowners Picnic

by invitation: Date TBD

Contact Helena Baker: 248.628.6431

Metamora Hunt -Youth Hunt

Monday, August 6th, 2018

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Metamora Hunt - Stable Tour

Date TBD

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Metamora Hunt - Opening Day of Formal Hunting

Saturday, September 22, 2018

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis:
248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Hunter Trials

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Crescentridgefarmsllc@gmail.com

Contact Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Fair Play Farm:

www.fairplayfarm.com

Metamora Hunt - Fall Hunter Pace

October Date TBD

Bob Carden 586-907-8594

Hunters Run Farm:

www.huntersrunfarm.com

Matador Farm:

www.matadorfarmllc.com

Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora Combined Driving Event 2018

June 22,23,24, 2018

Win-a-Gin Farm:

www.winaginfarm.com

Location: 4295 Barber Rd., Metamora, MI 48455

Contact: Metamora Carriage Driving Association

Red House Farm:

susiestroh@aol.com

on FaceBook

Seven Ponds Nature Center:

www.sevenponds.org

If you have equine related events in the Metamora Hunt Countryside that you would like us to consider posting in this Calendar of Events, please email them to:

rrrcarden@gmail.com

The Eventing Assn. of Michigan:

www.eventingmichigan.org

If your organization has events or activities that may be of interest to the equestrian community near Metamora, please submit your information for consideration to: rrrcarden@gmail.com