# Metamora Hunt Newsletter

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www.metamorahunt.com

### **Contact Information:**

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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 Hunt related event.

### The Hunt Ball was a Blast!

We hope that you were able to attend the Hunt Ball on February 24th! As you can see from these photos, we enjoyed a wonderful party with great food and a fabulous band that kept the dance floor filled.

## Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



Plans for our 90th season in Metamora Hunt Country are under way and I want to remind everyone to make sure to update their contact information. Please include your current email address so you receive fixture cards as well as reminders and updates for events.

If you have a new neighbor or know someone that would like to be added to the list contact the Hunt Secretary, Michelle Mortier.

### **Additional News:**

Metamora Hunt Country
Magazine Ads:





The 2018 Metamora Hunt Country Magazine is now in production and in the capable hands of Mr. Peter Gilles.

Each year we count on our Members, Hunt supporters, and local businesses to place advertising in our magazine. Advertising order forms have been mailed to our Members and previous advertisers. If you would like to renew your ad from last year, please just fill in the form and mail it to the address on the bottom. If you would like help in creating a new ad, please call Peter at: 586-381-4794. Ad forms are soon to be in the mail to all members and advertisers.

Advertising copy deadline is April 15, 2018. Hunt members who are selling ads should contact Peter right away and let him know who you will be selling to this year. That information will be used to assure that our advertisers are not called on by more than one person from the Metamora Hunt.

Metamora Hunt Subscriptions



Subscription forms were mailed to our Riding and Non Riding Members in February. Please renew your subscription to the Hunt soon. If you 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.metamorahunt.com

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 Michelle Mortier: 586-914-5802 : michelle1mortier@gmail.com



The Metamora Hunt was pleased to honor Diane Kangas as the Oustanding Volunteer for the 2017-2018 season. Well done Diane!

Click here to check out additional photos from the Ball: <a href="https://www.metamoraphoto.com">www.metamoraphoto.com</a>

Our heartfelt thanks to all of the Dancers, Diners, Do-ers and Donors who made it a very special evening.

### **Metamora Hunt Photos**

We are most fortunate to have Mr. Peter Gilles photograph many of our hunts and activities. Many of the photos in our monthly newsletters were taken by Peter. To view more of Peter's photos just click

on: http://www.metamoraphoto.com/gallery/in
dex.php?cat=13

### **Lots of links:**

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

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

> **Metamora Hunt:** www.metamorahunt.com

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 Theraputic Equestrian Center:** www.banburycrosstec.org

> Bedrock Stable B&B: www.bedrockstablees.com

Crooked House B&B

www.crookedhousefarm.com

**Crescent Ridge Farms:** Crescentridgefarmsllc@gmail.com

> Fair Play Farm: www.fairplayfarm.com

**Hunters Run Farm:** www.huntersrunfarm.com

**Matador Farm:** www.matadorfarmllc.com

Win-a-Gin Farm: www.winaginfarm.com

**Red House Farm:** 

encouraged to participate. Our Riding members are required to participate.

**Member Participation forms are** available on the Hunt website: http://www.metamorahunt.com/form s/.

# Pony Club News By Lisa McCormack

Metamora Hunt II Pony Club's first meeting in February was held at the Orlando farm in Leonard. Local blacksmith Scott Dolson gave an informative presentation to the clubbers on the anatomy and care of hooves using Sam, one of the Orlando's horses, as an assistant.



Our club then held their 2nd annual **Quiz Rally Prep at Turrill Elementary** in Lapeer on February 17. We had an even bigger turnout than last year with 8 clubs from the region participating. The Quiz Rally Prep was a great educational opportunity for unrated and D pony clubbers. It takes a lot of people to put together this event and we are grateful for all of the community support we

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Seven Ponds Nature Center: www.sevenponds.org

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

#### received!

Thank you to Banbury Cross for loaning us 2 life size horse models to use for our practical barn testing and to Sue Metcalf for donating bags of ClintRMints for all participants. Also, a special thank you to all of the people and businesses that supported our club by becoming table sponsors for the Prep!

### Calendar of Events

### **Hunt Sponsored Events:**

### 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 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 Contact Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

### **Metamora Hunt - Fall Hunter Pace**

October Date TBD Bob Carden 586-907-8594

### **Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:**

### **Metamora Combined Driving Event**

<u>2018</u>

June 22,23,24, 2018

Location: 4295 Barber Rd., Metamora,

MI 48455

**Contact: Metamora Carriage Driving** 

Association on FaceBook

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: <a href="mailto:rrrcarden@gmail.com">rrrcarden@gmail.com</a>