

Metamora Hunt Newsletter

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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.

Metamora Hunt Trail Rides

Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



If you would like to join us in celebrating our 90th year in Metamora please place a congratulatory ad in the anniversary edition of the 2018 Hunt Magazine.





The Metamora Hunt will host a series of fun and relaxing trail rides starting this month.

These trail rides will be structured to provide training and fitness exercise for experienced as well as beginning fox hunters and their mounts. Participants' horses must be able to walk and trot safely and calmly in a group, outside of a ring. *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: <http://www.metamorahunt.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/2012Release.pdf>

Depending on footing, we will use the roads, the Hunter Trials Grounds near the kennels, and as footing permits, the trails of the Metamora Countryside.

Trail Ride dates, times, and locations will be posted to current Metamora Hunt Members by email. Non members may contact Bob Carden (586-907-8594) for information.

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

For additional information contact Bob Carden: rrrcarden@gmail.com or 586.907.8594.

You can send Peter Gilles photos, logos, or business Cards and he will do the rest:

metamoraphoto1@aol.com. If you want him to take a photo or help with an ad just contact him. You can also call him at: 586.381.4794.

[Additional News:](#)

Earth Day Community Clean Up



Will be Saturday, April 21st. Postcards will be mailed soon. Please meet at the Kennels at 9:00am. We provide a dumpster, help coordinate groups and maps, and have an informal lunch afterward.

Pony Club News

By Lisa McCormack

On March 5th our club had a meeting at Oxford library where Greg and Emily from Lapeer Farm & Garden came to answer questions and give an informative presentation on equine nutrition and body scoring.

That same week we had five members and six adults head to Potawatomi Inn in Indiana for the Great Lakes Region Quiz Rally. Our Jr D team took 1st out of thirteen teams with Olivia placing 1st individually overall as well. We had one member of our club compete at the C level for the first time. She scrambled onto a team that placed 4th overall. Congratulations girls!!

We had good club representation at the March 11th Junior Leadership Council meeting and also at our Regional spring meeting. Both were held the day after Quiz Rally in Indiana. Lots of exciting activities are planned for the coming year!

On March 31, our club had a great learning experience at Morgenstern Farm! Marie DeWitt taught an unmounted lesson on the training pyramid to eight club members and then five of those girls participated in a mounted dressage lesson with her.

[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/index.php?cat=13>

Lots of links:

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

Metamora Hunt:
www.metamorahunt.com

Metamora Photo:



Gather your own group of friends and neighbors to pick up a road-side, or join a group that morning. As with any of our outdoor events, please do check the Hunt hotline for any weather related updates: 810-678-2711.

Tip of the Month

by Bob Carden

With the weather improving (soon we hope) we all are ready to be out riding on the roads and trails of the Metamora Countryside. Please remember that you need to renew your relationship with each Landowner that allows you to ride on their land this year. You should contact them now and ask for the

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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:

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:

susiestroh@aol.com

Seven Ponds Nature Center:

www.sevenponds.org

The Eventing Assn. of Michigan:

www.eventingmichigan.org

privilege of crossing their land as you trail ride or exercise your horse. Do not make the mistake of assuming that Landowners who allow the Hunt to cross their land welcome all riders the rest of the year.

On each ride you must be aware of the turf conditions. If you have any doubt about the ground being too soft to be on trails or to cross land, keep to the roads only. A rider that leaves damaged turf or deep hoof prints invites having that land closed off to all horses.

Please remember to be courteous and friendly to the public as you ride out. A smile, wave of the hand, or tipping of one's cap does wonders for the good of our sport. Public relations are every Hunt Member's responsibility.

Calendar of Events

Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora Hunt - Earth Day Clean Up

Saturday, April 21st.

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 - Landowners Picnic

by invitation: Saturday, July 14th.

Contact Helena Baker: 248.628.6431

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

Metamora Hunt - Summer Hunter Pace

Saturday, July 21st.

Contact Diane Kangas: 248.842.3094

Metamora Hunt -Youth Hunt

Monday, August 6th.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Metamora Hunt - Stable Tour

Sunday, August 12th.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

**Metamora Hunt - Opening Day of
Formal Hunting**

Saturday, September 22nd.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken

Matheis: 248.431.4093, Debbie Pace:
810.678.8762

Michigan Fox Hunters Weekend

Saturday, September 29th.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken

Matheis: 248.431.4093, Debbie Pace:
810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Hunter Trials

Sunday, September 30th.

Contact Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Fall Hunter Pace

Sunday, October 7th.

Bob Carden 586-907-8594

Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:

**Metamora Combined Driving Event
2018**

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:
rrrcarden@gmail.com