Metamora Hunt Newsletter

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Hunts go out every Wednesday, and Saturday mid- August to mid-April, weather permitting. Please contact michellel mortier@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.

Eye Candy Photos from Peter

We thought that you would enjoy some of Peter Gilles' photos of our hunts.

Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



This season our pack has provided many exciting hunt mornings chasing both coyote and fox through out our spectacular hunt country. When the Waterloo and Battle Creek Hunts visited earlier this year many of our guests commented on the beauty of the country we ride though.

We thank all our landowners who allow us to cross their land and continue our sport that has been part of Metamora Hunt country for 90 years.

As a courtesy to the deer hunters in Metamora Hunt Country we stop hunting hounds after November 10 except for Thanksgiving Day, which to fox hunters is one of our most important hunt days. We resume hunting on Saturday, December 1.



Additional News:

Save the Date! Metamora Hunt Ball - February 16, 2019
Location: The Buhl Estate at Addison Oaks!





Safety First By Bob Carden

Staying Warm









A warm rider is a safe rider. Of course, we all know that, right? None the less, do make an extra effort to keep yourself warm and comfortable while out fox hunting or exercising your horse this winter. You will be more alert, responsive, and flexible if you are not chilled.

Wearing a fleece neck gaiter is a good way to keep from losing body heat and a pair of ear flaps under your helmet is another important addition. A loose fitting pair of breeches with a smooth set of long underwear really helps. Loose fitting clothing and boots capture your body heat. Tight fitting clothing or boots are usually chilly.

A wool "Melton" coat that is a size larger than usual, with a wool sweater worn underneath, is a good start to being warm on a winter fox hunt. Winter riding boots are also commonly used by fox hunters. Avoid cotton garmets if you can. Wool or poly will keep you warm, even if damp.

Nylon or silk sock liners used under wool (never cotton) sox are a good bet. Also you might try using stick on toe warmers on top of your socks and perhaps just above the outsides of your ankles. Those little hand warmer packs tucked inside of your gloves really work too!

Be careful and stay safe out there!

Pony Club News

By Lisa McCormack

In October our unmounted club meeting was held at Lake Orion library. The learning activity included how to correctly weigh grain and hay and also the Pony Club standards for a feed chart. Additionally we had two upper level members present on nutrition using the IQ section on the USPC website as a source.









On October 21 Metamora Hunt II Pony Club took a trail ride for their mounted meeting. Kalin, Olivia G, Chelsea and Ella plus two club moms met with their horses at Addison Oaks County Park. The park has 9.42 miles of trails for equestrian use. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the fall colors!

At the end of the month we had our annual Sponsors Meeting. Adult sponsors of our club reviewed our 2018 activities and financials, approved our 2019 budget, and voted in next year's slate of officers.

Horse Country Signs for Sale

Help make our country roads safer with these signs!!





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: www.metamoraphoto.com

Masters of Fox Hounds Assoc:



Horse Country Signs for your roadside property, or barn, are once again available from the Metamora Hunt. Signs with a metal pole and attachment hardware, ready for you to install, are \$125.

Please contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Calendar of Events

Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora Hunt - Hunt Ball Saturday, February 16, 2019

Marcia Turner: 248-245-0810

Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:

Kevin McGinn Clinic

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:

susiestroh@aol.com

Seven Ponds Nature Center: www.sevenponds.org

The Eventing Assn. of Michigan: www.eventingmichigan.org

November 10-12th. At Matador Farm, Oxford, MI Contact: Jessica Filitrault - 512-585-4048

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 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