# Metamora Hunt Newsletter

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Hunts go out every Wednesday, and Saturday mid- August to mid-January weather permitting. Please contact michelle1mortier@gmail.com for a complete list of locations, dates and times.

Metamora Hunt Website: www.metamorahunt.com

## Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



Thanks to all those who helped to make a wo iderful Opening Day possible. Everyone enjoyed the cordial atmosphere, the bagpipers and the blessing of the pack and riders.

The hounds provided us with great sport, when after a quiet start, they opened, and in full cry the pack took horses and riders on a memorable run through the countryside to Squeaky Windmill.

Always call the Hunt Hotline: 810.678.2711 for weather or information updates on any Hunt related event.

### Fall Hunter Pace - This Sunday October 10th

Starting at 9am

Gather your friends! Ride English or Western. Come ride with us at your own pace. You will enjoy this opportunity to ride through the beautiful PRIVATE trails of Metamora Hunt Country. Snacks and beverages are provided to riders on the Pace course. Adults and junior riders are welcome! No jumping required. Helmets must be worn by all riders.

ready to RIDE?! On other matters, we always attempt to respect the wishes of our landowners and we ask that all riders have permission to ride through lands that they do not own.

We also try to work with our hunting neighbo's by not scheduling hunts before 10:00am during bow hunting season and only meeting on Thanksgiving during firearm season.

We hope that by cooperation we can continue the traditions of the Metamora Hunt for many seasons to come.

**Additional News:** 

Entry forms and liability releases are available on the Metamora Hunt website: www.metamorahunt.com

LOCATION: 4767 Blood Rd, Metamora, 48455. The entrance will be in the field, and will be well marked.

Due to very soft turf conditions we suggest that you call the Hunt Hotline: 810-678-2711 after 6pm this Friday to confirm the status of the Fall Pace. Also due to the soft turf conditions, there will be no Fastest Time Division this fall.

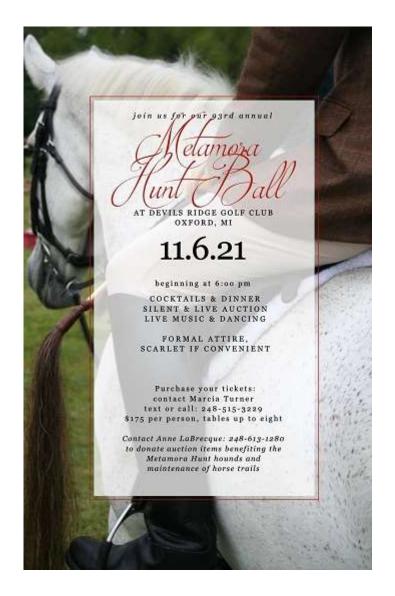
Riders will be started after registration in teams of 2-4. If you do not have a team, we will be happy to help you find one to join. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st. through 6th. place teams in the Optimum time division.

The cost to ride in the Hunter Pace is \$45 per adult, \$35 per junior (17 and under). An approved helmet, with chin strap fastened, must be worn at all times while mounted.

For additional information contact: Amanda Shelton: aashelton9@gmail.com 1-615-440-9238

### **Metamora Hunt Opening Day**

The Opening Day of formal hunting in the Metamora countryside on September 18th. had a large turnout of both riders and spectators. Riders were in their best attire and horses were gleaming. We thought that you



would enjoy some photos from that fine day by Mr. Peter Gilles and Mr. Nathan Jerome.

### **Order Your Tickets Now!**

Metamora Hunt Ball - November 6th.



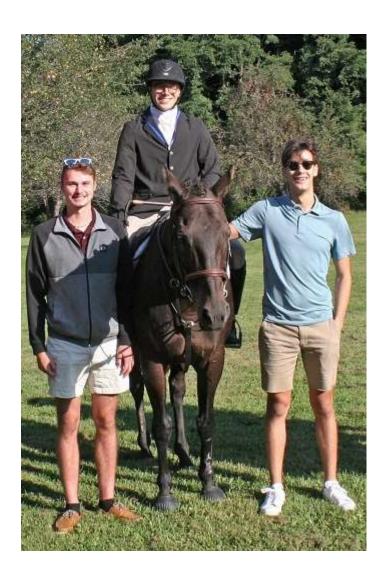
Please Order Your Tickets Now! Contact Marcia Turner: 248-515-3229. This year we will be nosting our annual evening of fun at the Devils Ridge Golf Club on November 6th. Please put the date on your calendar now and plan on bringing some friends.





Don't miss this wonderful evening, complete with dinner, dancing to a fabulous band, and an open bar. Part of the fun each year is a fox hunting horn blowing contest after dinner, so please plan on joining in!





Each year, the Silent Auction at the Hunt Ball proves to be an exciting part of the 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, right lessons, and more! Donated items include lewelry, art, gift certificates, photography, and gift leaskets. The proceeds from the Auction help to support the Hunt and the Metamora Countryside. Contact Anne LaBrecque: 248-613-1280.

Additional information is available from our I lunt Ball Chairperson **Marcia** 

Turner: <a href="mailto:mbkennels@aol.com">mbkennels@aol.com</a>

or: 248-515-3229

## Michigan Foxhunters Weekend

Each year the three foxhunting clubs in Michigan (Waterloo, Battle Creek, and Metamora) gather together to celebrate our sport and our fellowship. Each club takes a turn at hosting and this year it was our privilege to entertain and hopefully show a day of good sport in the beautiful Metamora Countyside.



Here are some wonderful photos of that day I om Mr. Peter Giles and Mr. Nathan Jerome:

























**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:**

Metamora Hunt: www.metamorahunt.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.org

Banbury Cross Therapeutic Equestrian Center: www.banburycrosstec.org

> Seven Ponds Nature Center: www.sevenponds.org

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





## **Pony Club News**

Friends of the Pony Club: October 2021

**Hello Everyone** 

We would like to officially welcome two new members to Pony Club. Sydney and Isabelle(Issy) Calin along with their parents Mike and Ursula, We look forward to riding and learning with you!



September 18th was the Metamora Hunt Opening Day for formal season of hunting. Metamora Hunt II Pony Club was represented by several members: Cur Fox Hunting liaison Gay Kent and her daughter Myra. Our Secretary Amanda Shelton and her daughter Emerson. Our Huntsman's wife and Whipper in Sara Smith and her daughter Madeline. Moriah Orl indo also

participated riding Ken and Diane Mathies's I orse Clyde. It was a beautiful day and wonderful ceremony.



Metamora Hunt II PC will be holding their annual sponsors meeting Tuesday October 12th at 7:00 p.m.

We will be having a Riding Clinic with Sandy Elwood the end of October. Sandy has a great bio and has lessoned with Major Borg.

We also hope to have a fall Rating.

Please enjoy the pictures of Opening day and until next month. Ride Safe!

**Mary Orlando DC** 

### **Amanda Shelton Secretary**

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## Horse Country Signs for Sale

Help make our country roads

safer with these signs!!



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

Please contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384.

**Calendar of Events** 

#### **Hunt Sponsored Events:**

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

Sunday, October 10th.
Contact Amanda Shelton: 615.440.9238

#### **Metamora Hunt - Hunt Ball**

Saturday, November 6th
At Devils Ridge Golf Club

Contact: Marcia Turner: 248.515.3229