

Metamora Hunt Newsletter

June 2019

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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

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

Save the Date!
Summer Hunter Pace - June 30th
Starting at 8am

Gather your friends! Ride English or Western. Come ride with us at your own pace. Whether walking, trotting, or competing for a fastest time ribbon, you will enjoy the beauty of the Metamora Hunt Country on a clearly marked trail. 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.**

Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



The coming season is not far off, with the Youth Hunt scheduled for August 5. I want to remind everyone that Fixture Cards are emailed and if your contact information has changed, or you would like to receive a card, please contact the Hunt Secretary, Michelle Mortier. You can text her at 586.904.5802 or email her at michelle1mortier@gmail.com.

We hope you will attend the many activities we have planned for this season. Windrush Farm will be hosting the North American



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Riders will be started after registration in teams of 2-4. If you do not have a team, we will be happy to make one for you. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st. through 6th. place teams in both the Fastest time and the Optimum time divisions.

Preliminary Driving Championships this year during the Metamora Carriage Driving Events 35th anniversary event on June 21,22, 23. Stop by and enjoy the event, or if you would like to help as a volunteer call or text me: 586.381.8834.

Additional News:

Roading Hounds Saturday-9am

We will road hounds from the Hunt kennels this Saturday morning, starting promptly at 9am. Roading of hounds provides exercise for our hounds and of course our members and their horses. Roading will take place most Saturday mornings in June and July. Be sure to call the Hunt Hotline: 810-678-2711 for weather information and possible schedule changes for any Hunt related event.

Roading of hounds is available to current (2019-2020 season) Riding Members . **Guest riders must contact one of our Masters (please see the contact information block in the left hand column) for permission and additional details.** Please try to join us!

Trail Trimming Saturday-11am

Trail Trimming will begin this Saturday morning at 11:00am. We will meet at 10:45am at the Hunt Kennels on Barber Rd. Please join us for a couple of hours of rewarding effort.

You should bring gloves, bug spray, something to drink, plus loppers, or a chainsaw if you can. We will break up into groups of 3-5 people, directed by a Hunt member, as we work on projects requested by our valued landowners.

We are planning on trimming trails each Saturday morning in June and July, starting at 11am and each Thursday afternoon at 5pm weather permitting.

Always check the recorded message at the Hunt Kennels (810-678-2711) for event related updates.

Landowners who would like help from the Metamora Hunt with the equestrian trails on their property should contact our leaders:



The cost to ride in the Hunter Pace is \$45 per adult, \$35 per junior (17 and under). Cash or checks made to Metamora Hunt are acceptable payment. **An approved helmet, with chin strap fastened, must be worn at all times while mounted.**



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Contact: Bob Carden

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Think Warm Thoughts

Joe Maday, MFH: 810-678-8384

Ken Matheis, MFH: 248-431-4093

Debbie Pace, MFH: 586-713-1640

Pony Club News

By Lisa Rossman

Friends of Pony Club of Pony Club June 2019:

May has been a flurry of prep for upcoming rallies. Next year Championships will be held in Lexington, KY. Which means attending rallies this summer is an opportunity for the Clubbers to qualify for Championships next summer. The Great Lakes Region will send Dressage, Show Jumping, and Tetrathlon teams. We anticipate Metamora Hunt II will send Clubbers to Lexington in all three disciplines!



The Metamora Hunt Stable Tour will be held on Sunday, August 11, 2019. Please save the date and make plans to bring friends to our self-guided tour of some of the Metamora Countryside's most beautiful and unique stables.

Tickets will be offered for sale starting in July. For additional information please contact Joe Maday, MFH, 810.678.8384.

Tornado Siren Test

We would like you to be aware that tornado sirens will be tested in the Metamora Countryside on the *first Saturday of each month at 1pm through November*. So, you might want to keep this in mind as you work with or ride your horses on the first Saturday of each month.

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.metamurahunt.com

Metamora Photo:
www.metamoraphoto.com

Masters of Fox Hounds Assoc:



We had three Clubbers rate in May. Katie H. and Madison K. achieved their D1. Olivia G. achieved her D2.



At a meeting held at Streeter Farm in Oxford, Ella S.

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

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

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:

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and her mare, Sky, were the demo team for a Turn Out prep. Turn Out is an important piece of a rally (a Pony Club show). Horses and Clubbers go through a rigorous inspection prior to riding. Both horse and rider must be clean, tidy and SAFE. Tack is inspected; riders are questioned; horses are given a very thorough going-over. Rallies are often won and lost due to penalty points assigned during Turn Out. Moriah O., Kaila M. and Kailin M. helped Ella S. prepare Sky and get ready. This team effort is a key piece of a Pony Club rally. Lisa M. judged their efforts talking as she went through the process letting everyone know what was acceptable and what needed work. This demo will serve the Clubbers well as they get ready to head to Albion next month!



Galina K., Moriah O., Olivia R attended Tetrathlon camp to prepare for the region's first qualifying Tetrathlon rally which will be held over Labor Day weekend. They were very lucky to have Kavita B, a Champion Tetrathlon competitor from the Delmarva region, attend as a visiting instructor. What an amazing opportunity!



All three girls were amazed at her athleticism and received very helpful instruction in all four Tet disciplines (riding, shooting, swimming and running), but also sports psychology and nutrition. It was a tiring, but that weekend will be very helpful as they prepare for rally over the next three months.

Longtime MHIIPC member, Metamora Hunt member and now MSU veterinary student, Sharlee L., offered to work with the Clubbers on dressage tests or show jumping on May 31st at Interlaken. Several Clubbers took advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

Good Luck MHIIPC!!!

Calendar of Events

Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora Hunt - Roading Hounds

Saturday 9am

in , June and July

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

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

Saturday, June 30, 2019
Contact Bob Carden: 586.907.8594

Metamora Hunt - Landowners Picnic
by invitation: Saturday, July 13, 2019
Contact Marsha Freed: 248.214.7003

Metamora Hunt - Youth Hunt
Monday, August 5, 2019
Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis:
248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Stable Tour
August 11, 2019
Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384

Metamora Hunt - Opening Day of Formal Hunting
Saturday, September 21, 2019
Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis:
248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Hunter Trials
Sunday, September 29, 2019
Contact Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Metamora Hunt - Fall Hunter Pace
Sunday, October 6, 2019
Contact Amanda Shelton: 615.440.9238

Michigan Fox Hunters Weekend - at Battle Creek
October 26,27, 2019
Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis:
248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:

Metamora CT and CDE Preliminary Championships
June 20-23, 2019
Windrush Farm: 4295 Barber Rd. Metamora, 48055
Contact astridjoergens@yahoo.com
metamoracarriagedriving.org

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Countryside that you would like us to consider posting in
this Calendar of Events, please email them to:
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