

# 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](mailto:michelle1mortier@gmail.com) for a complete list of locations, dates and times.

Metamora Hunt Website:  
[www.metamorahunt.com](http://www.metamorahunt.com)

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

**Save the Date!**  
**Fall Hunter Pace - September 27th**  
Starting at 10am

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 this opportunity to ride through the clearly marked, 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.**

## Hounds & Hunting

By Joe Maday, MFH



The Informal Season began with a meet at the Callewaerts on Gardner Road. Thanks to the hard work of the local landowners and volunteers, the trails had been cleared for an exciting opening day. The hounds opened not long after being in the covert and were in full cry for much of the morning.

We are also grateful to all those who helped to make this thirteenth year of the Hunt Country Stable Tour the most successful yet. Visitors arrived from around the state and some drove up from Ohio to have a chance to visit our beautiful Hunt Country.

We look forward to an enjoyable season and hope that many of you can join in upcoming Hunt activities.

Additional News:

## Everyone Loved the Stable Tour

The Stable Tour was a rousing success with



**REGISTRATION:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Advanced registration by mail is encouraged:  
c/o Amanda Shelton  
2775 E. Oakwood Rd.  
Oxford, MI 48370

Entry forms and liability releases are available on the Metamora Hunt website: [www.metamorahunt.com](http://www.metamorahunt.com)

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 both the Fastest time and the Optimum time divisions.

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:  
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Youth Hunt Fun For All

visitors enjoying the barns or gardens of 8 different properties. Our thanks to the kind and generous landowners who shared their beautiful grounds with us. Here are some photos:





**Our hunting season started on August 5th with the annual Youth Hunt. A very good turn out of young riders were joined by the Metamora Hunt Masters and Staff on a warm and bright morning. Our field of riders for this special day included three pairs of mothers and daughters!**





Hounds were cast to the east of the Hunt kennels as the young riders and adult guides followed with great interest. The warm conditions and less than perfect scenting conditions contributed to a shorter than normal time in the woods but everyone enjoyed watching our hard working hounds doing what they love best. We are excited about having young riders join our hunts later this season.

## Pony Club News

Friends of Pony Club of Pony Club July 2020

July was another very busy month for Pony Club! In spite of Covid we have worked very hard to stay safe and move





forward.



We had eight club members ride in the Hunter Pace. Gay and Myra Kent, Moriah Orlando, Sara and Madeline Smith, Amanda and Emerson Shelton. Victoria Jacobs also rode with us. Fun was had by all!



July

27th and 28th we help a two day camp at Hunter's Run. We had three wonderful instructors, Ema Klugman, Marian Hutchions and Marie Dewitt. The girls were taught Dressage, Stadium Jumping and Cross Country. I think most loved the Cross Country. In preparation for next year's Rallies, there was also teaching on stall set up and tack room set up. This was an exceptional learning experience, we are Blessed to be able to use Hunter's Run! Everyone had a great time, we even did a little apple

**bobbing!**



**Our club also participated in the Youth Hunt! I think this was our Best turn out ever! Those that participated were Gay and Myra Kent, Amanda and Emerson Shelton, Sara and Madeline Smith, Moriah Orlando, Ella Spiers, Marissa Baker, Galina Kuzara, Charlie Hobbs as rode whip! Victoria Jacobs also rode with us, this was a first for several!**

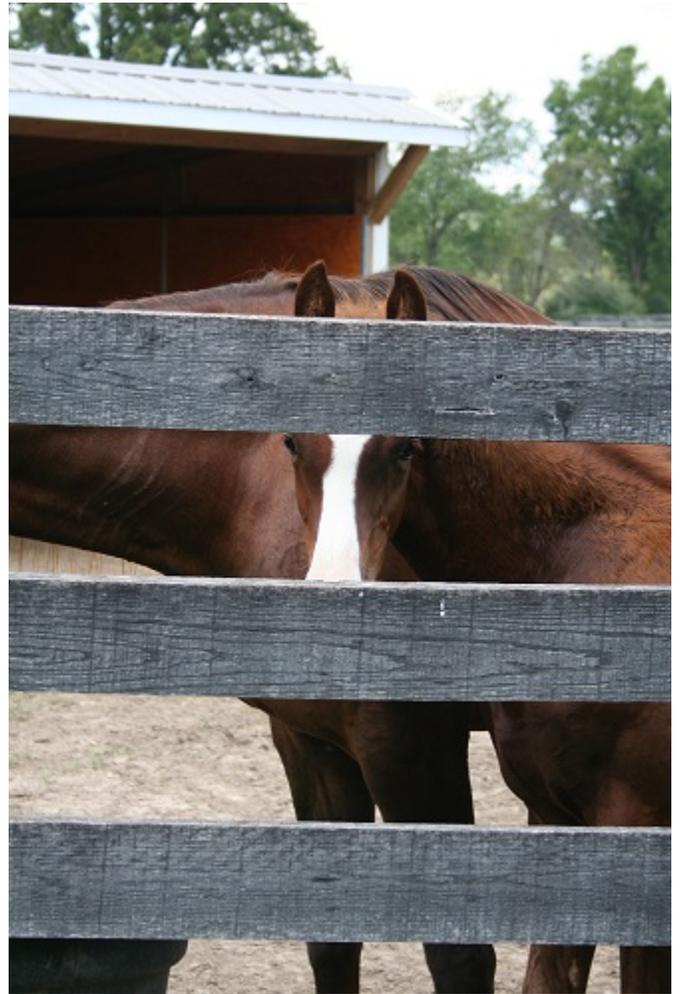


**A very special Thank you to Ken and Diane Matheis for making this Youth Hunt possible for our girls by allowing them the use of Clyde and Lucas and also providing trailering! Also Thank you to Peter Gillis for his wonderful photos. Let the Hunt Season begin!!**

**August 15th and 16th our Club in conjunction with Hunter's Run will be hosting a Derby Event. Looking forward to seeing everyone come out! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Monica Spiers at 248-709-7210.**  
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**Until next Month!!**

**Ride Safe!!**



Mary Orlando DC

Lisa Rossman Secretary

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For further information.

## Lots of links:

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

Metamora Hunt:

[www.metamorahunt.com](http://www.metamorahunt.com)

Metamora Photo:

[www.metamoraphoto.com](http://www.metamoraphoto.com)

Masters of Fox Hounds Assoc:

[www.mfha.org](http://www.mfha.org)

Metamora II Pony Club:

[www.glrpc.org](http://www.glrpc.org)

Metamora Chamber of Commerce:

[www.metamorchamber.org](http://www.metamorchamber.org)

Metamora Carriage and Driving Association:

[www.metamoracarriagedriving.org](http://www.metamoracarriagedriving.org)

Banbury Cross Therapeutic Equestrian Center:

[www.banburycrosstec.org](http://www.banburycrosstec.org)

Crooked House B&B

[www.crookedhousefarm.net](http://www.crookedhousefarm.net)

Crescent Ridge Farms:

[Crescentridgefarmsllc@gmail.com](mailto:Crescentridgefarmsllc@gmail.com)

Fair Play Farm:

[www.fairplayfarm.com](http://www.fairplayfarm.com)

Hunters Run Farm:

[www.huntersrunfarm.com](http://www.huntersrunfarm.com)

## 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.

## Calendar of Events

### Hunt Sponsored Events:

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

Saturday, September 19th.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis: 248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

#### Metamora Hunt - Fall Hunter Pace

Sunday, September 27th.

Contact Amanda Shelton: 615.440.9238

#### Michigan Fox Hunters Weekend - at Battle Creek

At the Waterloo Hunt

October 23, 24th.

Contact Joe Maday: 810.678.8384, Ken Matheis: 248.431.4093, Debbie Pace: 810.678.8762

### Non - Hunt Sponsored Events:

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](mailto:rrrcarden@gmail.com)

**Matador Farm:**  
[www.matadorfarmllc.com](http://www.matadorfarmllc.com)

**Win-a-Gin Farm:**  
[www.winaginfarm.com](http://www.winaginfarm.com)

**Red House Farm:**  
[susiestroh@aol.com](mailto:susiestroh@aol.com)

**Seven Ponds Nature Center:**  
[www.sevenponds.org](http://www.sevenponds.org)

**The Eventing Assn. of Michigan:**  
[www.eventingmichigan.org](http://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](mailto:rrrcarden@gmail.com)