

METAMORA HUNT HOUNDS, PLEASE

Editor: Carole Beckett, photos by Philip Maxwell, Shannon Steensma & Amanda Shelton. Publisher: Metamora Hunt

Our Masters of Foxhounds (MFHs)

Joe Maday, MFH (586-381-8834)
Ken Matheis, MFH (248-431-4093)

Metamora Hunt Board

Amanda Shelton, Chairperson
Marcia Turner, Vice Chair
Amanda Shelton, Treasurer
Carole Beckett, Secretary
Heather Bearden, Director
Diane Matheis, Director
Katherine Opie, Director

The Metamora Hunt has promoted Hunt Country lifestyle for nearly a century through the promotion of hunting, outdoor sports and recreation as an agent in the management of farmlands, wildlife, reforestation, and breeding of livestock.

We meet all high standards established by MFHA (Masters of Foxhounds of America) for hound care.

metamurahuntsec@gmail.com

metamurahuntinc@gmail.com

metamurahunt.com

Facebook: Metamora Hunt

Metamora Hunt Ball

Saturday, April 18, 2026
The Huntsman Hunt Club



We are delighted to again be hosting our Metamora Hunt Ball at the renowned **Huntsman Hunt Club on Saturday, April 18th**. “The 2025 Hunt Ball was the best ever yet!” reports Jane Bourget, long time member of our Hunt. Invitations have been mailed or you can get Hunt Ball information on our website metamurahunt.com. You may call Carole Beckett to arrange for ticket purchase. Again, our seating is very limited, so register early to insure your attendance.

Earth Day Clean-up on April 25, 2026

The Hunt is again organizing an Earth Day Clean-up to help keep our countryside beautiful. Meet at 9 am at the Hunt Kennels, 5614 Barber Rd, Metamora, for road assignments. Luncheon to follow prepared by Chef Ken Matheis, MFH and his lovely prep cook, Diane Matheis. If you have questions, please contact Hunt Secretary at metamurahuntsec@gmail.com or call Ken directly.



Master's Comments

The extreme winter weather conditions have ended our season and even made it difficult to exercise hounds. We have been spending time planning for next season and will keep you informed of upcoming events when we have finalized our calendar.

Hoping for an early spring and to see you at the Hunt Ball.

Joe Maday, MFH

Kennel Korner

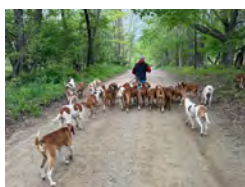
As we all know it has been a long winter. Hounds have wintered well and we are looking forward to the weather breaking so we can get back to walking out and lose some winter weight...

The hounds need it also.. 😊

The puppies are growing like weeds and are looking forward to more socialization.

Hope to see you soon..

Kick on...



Spring Hunter Pace

Planning is underway for our first Hunter Pace of the year scheduled for **May 30th**. This is a trail ride through private lands following the "scent" (trail markers) of game with optimal and fastest times awarded. Optimal time refers to the time it would take hounds with mounted riders to complete the "run". If you are willing to lend a hand, contact us at metamoramohuntinc@gmail.com.

Participant entry forms will be posted online as the date draws near at metamoramohunt.com

The Countdown to 100 Begins

We are approaching our 100th year in Metamora in 2028. Think of all the changes the Hunt has experienced since 1928, and yet it remains timeless in the centuries old sport of mounted hunting with hounds. We hope you will enjoy the articles we will be posting and will participate in a number of events the Hunt will host leading up to our centennial celebration.

Jack Pierce and Tommy Chisholm over the last fence on the old course on the Pierce farm, Hosner and Jonathan. Early Fifties.



From Shannon Steensma: "This is my grandmother Viola Hammond riding Vi-Temp and Elliott 'Punch' Nichols, MFH probably riding on my family farm on Delano." Early 1940s.