

# METAMORA HUNT HOUNDS, PLEASE

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The Metamora Hunt has promoted country simplicity 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.

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**Metamora Hunt kennels meet all MFHA KENNEL STANDARDS**

## Opening Day, Saturday September 21, 2024

Held at the corner of Delano and Rock Valley Roads, this the first day of formal hunting and riders will be in formal attire (men who have been awarded colors in scarlet, women in black with hunt colors on their collars) you may see a few in side saddle, horses manes are braided, and a bag piper is usually present. There will be a short ceremony with a blessing of the hounds and riders, the Master of Foxhounds says a few words, turns to the Huntsman and says “hounds, please” and off they go, promptly at 10 am.

## Annual Metamora Hunt Landowner Picnic was held on July 13th at Hunt Kennels



It takes a village.....never has that been more apparent than in recent times as you watch and see the efforts of so many members, both Riding and non-Riding, most of whom are our landowners, local businesses and local professionals joining hands to work so hard to continue the existence of the Metamora Hunt. **Without this support our hunt country could not exist.**



## Metamora Hunt's 16th Annual Stable Tour

Held on Sunday, August 11th and including 6 beautiful local barns, close to 400 visitors came to our beautiful countryside to enjoy what Metamora Horse Country has to offer. Joe Maday, MFH and organizer stated "This is by far one of our most popular and well attended events. It could not be done without the support of our great landowners and volunteers. Thank-you to all our attendees for making it such a fun event."



## Third in the Hunter Pace Series is Sunday, September 22nd

Simulating a foxhunt, with trail markers being the fox's scent that the hounds would have to follow, join us for a ride through private trails opened up just for you and your team of 2-4 on a memorable ride in our countryside. Fastest riders go out at 9 am in 15 minute intervals and "optimal" riders go out in 15 minute intervals til noon. Prizes awarded. Cost is \$50 (\$35 for juniors). Forms, requirements and waivers on [metamorahunt.com](http://metamorahunt.com).



## Metamora Hunt Hosts Barn Dance

The Hunt is hosting a Barn Dance on **Saturday, October 19, 2024** starting at 6:30 pm. Held at a local barn and featuring a professional caller, this promises to be a very fun and special fund-raising event. Wear your best western gear. **We are looking for 10 people to offer their best Chili recipes for you to judge and taste. Prizes awarded.** Bring your own bottle and bar service will be provided. Salads and side dishes welcome and encouraged. Cost is \$50 per person. Space is limited. Visit our website: [metamorahunt.com](http://metamorahunt.com) for tickets or **contact Carole Beckett if you'd like to offer your best recipes up.**