MELTON HUNT CLUB

2020 NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2020

www.melton-hunt-club.org.uk

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

JOEY NEWTON

Welcome to the annual newsletter in the extraordinary times that we live in. Covid-19 has been so difficult for everyone. From the MHC perspective, we know that event management will present significant challenges but we are ready to take them on to make sure we can have a successful and enjoyable season for all. We hope to be able to run all activities as the government guidelines change.

Membership has stabilised which is good news for the Club. We have plenty to look forward to with the Hunts all ready to go and looking forward to welcoming members. Last year was extremely wet but with some amazing sport. Please contact me in good time to book in for hunting via email or the telephone.

We have the Point to Points at Garthorpe to look forward to after losing them all last year. We start activities with the Melton Ride on the 22nd November, kindly sponsored by Chestnut Feeds. Please do take a look at their MHC exclusive promotion on the last page of this newsletter. Wishing everyone lots of fun!

HUNTING ARRANGEMENTS 2020/21

Members must have paid their Hunting Subscription to the club for the season, **by standing order only** (forms available on MHC website)

Those that live **outside** the MHC hunt country are allowed **TWO days** with each hunt.

Those **within** the MHC hunt country are allowed **ONE day** with each hunt.

All days have a 50% reduced cap

Application should be made to Joey Newton (not the individual Hunt Secretary) as soon as possible - numbers are limited. Availability can be checked by telephone or email

T: 07785 291 915

E: joeynewton1@gmail.com

Caps must be paid via the website (Paypal)

Full details are on the MHC website

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Belvoir	High Leics.	Low Leics.	Lincs.
	£80	£45	£40
Cottesmore	Tuesday	Saturday	Thursday
	£85	£55	£45
Quorn	Monday	Friday	Tuesday
	£75	£75	£40
Meynell & Derbyshire	Saturdays & Derbyshire £80	All other days £50	

Anyone giving less than 48 hours' notice of cancellation will be expected to pay the appropriate cap to the Hunt.

We hope that MHC members can make the most of this fantastic opportunity to hunt in some of the most special country, kindly given by The Masters by sacrificing full caps and by the generosity of farmers in allowing the hunts. This is what the MHC was created for!

NB All hunts will be adhering to COVID secure guidance. This may include restrictions on visiting. Please enquire.

HUNT UPDATES

Quorn

This season will continue with Ollie Finnegan as Huntsman and the Mastership is also unchanged. Russell Lindsay has joined as our new Whipper In from the Old Berkshire and Craig Chadwick as the new Stud Groom. Michael Vaughan continues as the countryman. We have a new Hunt Secretary, Naomi Sarfaty-Wells and Nichola Hounsley has joined as Social Media Secretary. We have had excellent take up of our rides, generating much needed income during the summer. Please email the Secretary for details of upcoming rides. We also have a hound sponsorship scheme running through the hunt supporters club, please email the hunt supporters for details. We look forward to an exciting season and hope to see many MHC members out with us.

Belvoir

The Belvoir will continue the same approach to meets as last year with a mix of Wednesdays and Saturdays in 'High Leicestershire' country and Tuesdays and Thursdays in Lincolnshire.

Meet information will be released one month in advance so that people can plan ahead and get their MHC days booked in! We have four new Masters joining the team. Harriet Rimmer, Tom Chatfeild-Roberts, Toby Corbin-Greenall and Martin Willcox all join the Mastership injecting young thrusting energy. We look forward to giving MHC members some thrills and spills!

Cottesmore

The Cottesmore are running a series of Summer rides, a chance to enjoy areas not usually accessible. Optional jumping. Groups of 6. Covid regulations adhered to. Further details of venues, dates, how to book and Covid-19 policy are available at www.cottesmore-hunt.co.uk.

The Cottesmore is working hard to ensure that as soon as harvest permits they are able to commence hunting under the governments Covid-19 regulations.





SUBSCRIPTIONS 2020/2021

The following Subscription Rates have been agreed for the current season:

Hunting Membership (including Cross Country & Point to Point): £50 per annum by Standing Order only (forms available on MHC website)
Existing Hunting Members who pay by Standing Order (£40 or more) will remain the same.

Cross Country Ride Membership: £10 per annum Point to Point: £5 per annum.

It is a rule of the Club that all members must be paid up members of the Countryside Alliance and Subscribers of a recognised Hunt.

ACCOUNTS

	Protit/Loss	
	2019	
Main Account	£ 1261.64	
Point to Point Account	£ 26.08	
X Country Ride Acc	£ 4441.63	

The Hunts received £4000 each as a direct donation.

A donation was given to the Countryside Alliance.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 20th October 2020 at **Waltham House, Waltham on the Wolds** Details will be emailed out before hand **Agenda**

1 Minutes of the 2019 AGM 2 Chairman's Address 3 Financial Statement 4 Election of Officers 5 Fixtures for 2020/21 6 Any Other Business Nominations for the Committee and notice of Any Other Business should be received by the Secretary in writing at least fourteen days prior to the meeting.

2021 POINT-TO-POINTS AT GARTHORPE

Cottesmore - Sunday 28th February

Belvoir - Sunday 21st March

Quorn - Saturday 24th April

Melton Hunt Club - Sunday 23rd May

Meynell and South Staffs - Saturday 5th June

Entrance will be £15 per head (children free).

E-tickets are available in advance with discounts from www.garthorpe.com

Forward Parking can be reserved in advance at £10 extra per car – contact the meeting Secretary.

For MHC members only - premier forward parking incl 4 admissions can be purchased in advance (before 3rd May 2021) for the MHC meeting for £20 (saving £50!). Apply secretary.

EVENTS IN 2020/2021

Sunday 22nd November

Cross Country Ride

Once again sponsored by CHESTNUT HORSE FEEDS. In the Quorn country in the Upper Broughton / Hickling area. The line will be approximately 3.5 miles over natural hunting country. Entry Forms can be downloaded from the MHC website. Please state which special prizes you are eligible for. There is no entry fee but a minimum donation of £60 is expected to cover the damage and for entertaining the Farmers and should be sent with the entry form. Race Start Time will be 12 noon.

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