

MELTON HUNT CLUB

2021 NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2021

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

JOEY NEWTON

Welcome to the 2021 letter, 2020 was a very difficult year as we all know for organising events and Hunting. We were very lucky to have three very successful point to points at Garthorpe and the final with few restrictions and a really good meeting.

Sadly hunting was very limited due to the pandemic but what happened was great fun and members were lucky to be able to take a number of days with the hunts. Can I thank the Masters hugely for the welcome that was given to members with constantly changing regulations?

On a positive note Autumn Hunting has started and the Melton Ride kindly supported by Chestnut Horse Feeds is on the 21st of November at Upper Broughton. Fingers crossed that the ride happens after two false starts and a postponement. We look forward to seeing our members making the most of their membership and its great benefits and enjoying some excellent sport!

HUNTING ARRANGEMENTS 2021/22

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.

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

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Caps must be paid via the website (Paypal)

Full details are on the MHC website

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Belvoir	High Leics £80	Low Leics £45	Lincs £45
Cottesmore	Tuesday £85	Saturday £55	Thursday £45
Quorn	Monday £90	Friday £90	Tuesday £40
Meynell & S. Staffs	Saturdays & Derbyshire £80	All other days £50	

These rates are 50% of the non-MHC cap

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!

HUNT UPDATES

Quorn

Ollie Finnegan remains as huntsman, with a new 1st whip Edward Dogrell and 2nd whip Olivier Esteve, Chris Mardles is our new countryman and Samantha Mace as stud groom and Jasmine Tonks as under groom. The masters for this season are Nicky Hanbury, Joss Hanbury, James Mossman, Amanda Eastwood and Rowan Cope, with new Masters Colin Russel, Dominic Gwyn-Jones and Lydia Cope. We have now started so there are no rides, only a hunter trial to come. All welcome, please do book in and join us!

Belvoir

The Belvoir will continue the same approach to meets as per the season before last, with a mix of Wednesdays and Saturdays in 'High Leicestershire' country and Tuesdays in Lincolnshire. We hope to release meet information one month in advance so that people can plan ahead and get their MHC days booked in! The four Joint Masters who joined the team last season are looking forward to completing a full season this winter - Harriet Rimmer, Tom Chatfeild Roberts, Toby Corbin-Greenall and Martin Willcox all joined the Mastership injecting young thrusting energy. We look forward to giving MHC members some thrills and spills!

Cottesmore

At the Cottesmore, Will Bell and Hilary Butler have joined the Mastership of Bee Bell, Tim Brown, Alister and Julia Gautrey. The Cottesmore are very lucky to have such a dynamic team for the season ahead.

Chris Edwards continues to hunt hounds and Joe Emmett is in his second season. His partner Maddie Cooper is the stud groom and the horses are thriving under her care.

Gary McCann continues as countryman and ensures the Cottesmore country is in tip top condition for everyone to enjoy.





2022 POINT-TO-POINTS AT GARTHORPE

Cottesmore - Sunday 27th February

Belvoir - Sunday 20th March

Quorn - Saturday 23rd April

Melton Hunt Club - Sunday 22nd May

Meynell and South Staffs - Saturday 1st June

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.

MHC Meeting

For MHC members only - premier forward parking incl 4 admissions can be purchased in advance (before 3rd May 2022) for £20 (saving £50!). Apply secretary.

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

	Profit/Loss 2020
Main Account	£ 944.65
Point to Point Account	£ -7,938.77
X Country Ride Acc	£ -2,587.78

The Hunts received £2,000 each as a direct donation.

A donation was given to the Countryside Alliance.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held at 7.00 pm

on Thursday 21st October 2021

at **The Manners Arms, Knipton**

Details will be emailed out beforehand

Agenda

1 Minutes of the 2020 AGM 2 Chairman's Address

3 Financial Statement 4 Election of Officers

5 Fixtures for 2021/22 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.

EVENTS IN 2021/2022

Sunday 21st 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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