

OLD BERKSHIRE HUNT - MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS and DONATIONS 2019/2020 SEASON

July 2019

Dear Member,

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS, AND DONATIONS FOR THE 2019/2020 SEASON

The Directors, Masters and Secretaries of the Old Berkshire Hunt Ltd hope that you are having a pleasant summer, and that you have already started looking forward to the beginning of the 2019/2020 hunting season. We have made a small increase this season to all rates, whilst working hard to minimise expenditure, the cost of providing quality hunting for our membership continues to be a challenge.

Hunting subscriptions with the OBH continue to be great value for money, last season we provided our members with 69 days hunting (both Autumn and Full Hunting days), and the whole team are already working on making 2019/20 season even better. In keeping with recent traditions, we are continuing to offer a 5% discount on all subscriptions paid in full **by Friday 9th August 2019**

This season we hope to welcome many subscribers, their guests and visitors to the OBH. Membership Subscription rates apply to the individual or family members - they do not cover guests riding subscribers' horses – please contact one of the secretaries in advance to agree a "guest donation".

Rates for children of membership subscribers

- Individual Membership Subscription – one child 17 years and under, hunt for free
- Family Membership Subscription – two children 17 years and under, hunt for free

The enclosed subscription rates are obligatory for all mounted followers. They do not apply to Farmers and Landowners of 100 acres or more, in the area hunted by the Old Berkshire Hunt Ltd. However, Farmers and Landowners are asked to donate as generously as possible bearing in mind the above rates.

OBH Subscription Rates 2019 -2020			
Subscription Type	Description	Amount	Includes
Family Membership Subscription	2 Adults & 2 Children - Mounted (17 yrs & Under)	£3,500.00	All hunting including Autumn Hunting and Membership of OBH & OBHSC + 1 guest ticket
Couple - Membership Subscription	2 Adults - Mounted (residing at the same address)	£3,000.00	All hunting including Autumn Hunting and Membership of OBH & OBHSC + 1 guest ticket
Individual - Membership Subscription	Single Adult - Mounted	£1,800.00	All hunting including Autumn Hunting and Membership of OBH & OBHSC +1 guest ticket
OBH Club 18-30 - Membership Subscription	Single Adult 18-30 years - Mounted	£675.00	All hunting including Autumn Hunting and Membership of OBH & OBHSC
OBH Juniors - Membership Subscription	17 yrs & Under	£400.00	All hunting including Autumn Hunting and Membership of OBH & OBHSC
Membership Tickets - 8 day	Single Adult - 8 Vouchers	£950.00	8 x Hunting Vouchers (does not include Autumn
OBH Hunt Membership	Single Adult Membership - Non Mounted	£150.00	Membership of OBH & OBHSC including members cap rates
Point to Point Qualifier	Subscription Per Horse @ MFHA Rate*	£160.00	New rate as approved by MFHA & Point to Point Authority

NB> All membership subscriptions are subject to the terms and conditions of membership of the OBH Ltd

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Day Cap Rates: Please find the enclosed cap rates for 2019/2020 season, all mounted followers <excluding farmers and landowners as above> who do not pay a mounted subscription, visitors and guests of members are subject to day cap rates.

CAPS				
Hunting <Opening Meet-End of Season>	Members		Non-members	
Saturday				
Adults <Over 30>	£	100.00	£	150.00
Club 18-30	£	50.00	£	70.00
Juniors <under 18>	£	20.00	£	30.00
Wednesday				
	Members		Non-members	
Adults <Over 30>	£	80.00	£	120.00
Club 18-30	£	40.00	£	60.00
Juniors <under 18>	£	20.00	£	30.00

Autumn Hunting: The Old Berkshire Hunt Ltd intends to start Autumn Hunting from early September 2019, but this is subject to change due to environmental factors. It is the intention of the Masters that during autumn hunting hounds will meet up to 5 times per week. Weekday meets will predominantly be early mornings, it is however hoped that there will be opportunity to provide the popular Saturday afternoon meets this season.

The cap for autumn hunting will be payable from the commencement of autumn hunting and will be as follows:

- Membership subscribers will not be charged provided subscriptions are paid by 1st September 2019.
- Membership Tickets holder - tickets do not include autumn hunting and are autumn hunting members cap rate if membership tickets are paid by 1st September 2019.
- Non-members - are subject to non-members autumn hunting cap rates

CAPS				
	OBH Members <incl OBH PC Members>		Non-Members / Visitors	
Autumn Hunting <all months>				
Adults <Over 18>	£	40.00	£	60.00
Juniors <12-18>	£	20.00	£	30.00
Juniors <under 12>	£	10.00	£	20.00

Countryside Alliance: The Directors have determined that all mounted, foot and car followers should be members of the Countryside Alliance for insurance purposes; our continued support is vital in the present political climate. ***Please ensure that your Countryside Alliance membership number is stated on your subscription form.***

Gate Shutting: The Mastership advises that there are no allocated gate shutters during a day's hunting, **it is the responsibility of EVERY membership subscriber, their children and all OBH Supporters including those who follow on foot to ensure that ALL gates are properly closed during a day's hunting.** We are exceptionally fortunate to have farmers and landowners that allow us to cross some of Oxfordshire's most beautiful country, please **respect this privilege and be aware at all times.**

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Fund Raising Events: As you are all aware fund raising events provide a large proportion of our income, the Directors, Masters and Secretaries would like to thank you for all your support either through sponsorship, volunteering and attendance during the 2018/2019 season.

2019/2020 will hopefully be the most successful season for fund raising events, with planned events from our amazing Countryside Day, Point to Point, Christmas Fair, Open Show, Hound Racing and Picnic Ball to name but a few.....in order to be successful these events need an army of willing volunteers, if you are able to offer time and energy to assisting with any of these events please complete the fundraising section of the membership subscription form.

If you have any ideas / thoughts on potential fund-raising events which you would be willing to help organise in the future, please add these to the fundraising section of the membership subscription form.

If you are unable to help volunteering at fund raising events please would you consider making a "fund-raising" donation, as it all helps. Donations can be added on the membership subscription form.

By returning the subscription form, with your payment, you confirm that you wish to become a member of the Old Berkshire Hunt Limited, subject to the provisions of the legal documents by which the company was set up; if you wish to see any of these documents, please speak to the treasurer.

Yours sincerely



Richard Holt Chris Brown
Joint Honorary Secretaries