

Helpful Tips for the Field

- Always keep behind the Field Master and listen to any instructions he to the Field at the Meet
- We must use our common sense to cause minimum damage to growing crops and keep in to the headland at all times. Single file means just that, one behind the other!
- Many headlands are now designated **Countryside Stewardship Strips**, These are conservation strips for which the farmer or land owner receive a grant if they are left undisturbed. This means you may only ride between the strip and the crop.
- Only Hunt Staff have permission to ride across sown ground
- If you come across livestock, penned, grazing, or when surrounded by electric wire fencing, always walk your horse past them.
- If your horse is not behaving please take it to the back of the Field as it could endanger the safety of other riders. Likewise, if you have to use your mobile phone, it is best to do so at the back of the Field.
- Always offer your Field money for the day to the Hunt Secretaries. The rates for the Season can be found on the Hunt's website www.hampshirehunt.com. Do not assume the secretaries will find you. Remember to make your number with them.
- We do not have a dress code but we do ask that you and your horse look smart and tidy. We ask that you are a current Member of the Countryside Alliance.
- Always make way for Hunt staff or hounds. Always turn your horse's head in their direction to avoid your horse kicking them.
- Never leave a gate open that you have gone through and pass on any instructions. If in doubt, **SHUT IT**.
- Thank anybody who opens or shuts a gate for you.
- Always remember to keep the road clear for cars and other vehicles to pass and thank them for slowing down
- Always notify a senior member of the Hunt, Field Master, Secretaries, or the Terrierman if you break a jump or cause any damage. This will enable us to mend any damage and ensure the safety of any livestock in the vicinity.

Neither the Hunt nor any farmer or landowner can be held responsible for any accident or injury to anyone, horse or rider, following the Hunt. Hunting can be dangerous and it is **your** responsibility for the sake of yourself and others in the Field to take all reasonable care and caution.

Above all we wish to encourage everyone to have a safe and enjoyable day.
It is **always** our intention to hunt within the Hunting Act 2004