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President's Bark by Jim VanderGiessen

I don't know about you but I'm ready to go hunting. It's been a long hot summer and the first few cooler days have my dogs displaying the energy they lack during the "dog" days of summer. As usual I'm behind on blind building and more behind on training.

NAHRA and the people I have met and trained with have definitely made my dogs better hunting companions. Fortunately it seems my dogs are pretty smart too because they sure get a lot of conflicting signals this time of year. Of all the hunting centered dog programs I believe ours is the most complete. That said try as we might simulating actual

hunting is a tall order particularly if you have a large field to judge.

If I had to rank my dogs skills in order of there importance to me as a hunter they would look something like this:

Nose, cripples in tall cover are a very frequent occurrence.

Handling ability, try as I might it seems the dog is always in the wrong place to get a really good look at the birds falling. Add another good shot in the blind and you have a large number of birds down some of whom are not dead and need to be picked up first. While a good mark is a beautiful thing, in my

hunting experience it's the exception rather than the rule.

Steadiness, I can't call and look for a dog who is going to break at the click of a safety or that first shot. I would include steadiness to wing and shot here, while I don't go west every year anymore when I do I expect steadiness. It just makes upland hunting so much more fun. I imagine based on where or how you hunt this list would look different, maybe you hunt with other dogs and honoring is critical. What matters is that the skills you train are the ones that enrich your days afield and conserve game.

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Why I Run Hunt Tests

by
Rick Steenhoven



Over the years I have had many people ask me why I run Hunt Tests. My reply is always the same “Because I get to work my dogs all summer long. And because of that, they are always primed and ready for hunting season, which is why I have a dog to begin with”. For me this is the paramount reason I play the game. However, there are so many more benefits to be harvested that it is almost impossible to name them all. Different people have different reasons, and all of them are valid. Because I work as a hunting guide in South Dakota in the fall, it is imperative that my dogs be in tip-top shape on opening day. I don’t have the luxury of being able to give them a couple days off because of sore feet or stressed muscles. Nor do I have the opportunity to refine their training or make harsh corrections when I have hunting clients in the field with me. These people are expecting to see my/our dogs in prime shape on opening day, as they will not be there next week when the dog finally recovers from his stiffness or finally begins to listen and respond properly. By running Hunt Tests during the summer, my dogs are being judged and held to a standard that the average dog owner never realizes is possible. They are put to the test in REAL-LIFE hunting scenarios. These scenarios serve as a barometer to tell me where we need to put our emphasis on training in order to be fully ready for hunting season. It could possibly be that our quartering is not up to par, or maybe our blind retrieves need some pattern field drills. Maybe we have an honoring problem, as we always have a number of dogs in the field at a time (ever had to quarter in a brace at a hunt test?) Perhaps we didn’t pick up the trail because old Sport wasn’t sure how far he was allowed to get into the field without you. Or maybe he has some blind/line

manner issues. This is especially important to me after sitting in a very small duck blind all morning with an unruly dog who the owner thought was Super Dog. All of these scenarios are indeed real life hunting situations, and by running hunt tests we can become aware of where the problems are by means of objective judging standards.

Whether you work as a hunting guide or just go out hunting with your dog on occasion, the product is still the same. You want your dog (and yourself) in tip-top shape when you go to the field. You don’t want your dog running wild flushing birds at 200 yards, nor do you want them barking and whining in the duck blind. You want them to be able to run blind retrieves for the birds they did not see fall across the creek. If you hunt with a buddy who has a dog, you don’t want to see a dog fight over a bird because neither dog will honor. I have seen friendships stressed over this very issue. Regardless of how many times you get to go hunting, there is no need for you to have to wait until you are out in the field to see what needs fixed. Just run a hunt test once and you will know exactly where your emphasis needs to be placed. You will also be in the midst of people who have been there and can give you advice on how to fix it, and maybe even go out training with you. Some of the finest quality people I know, I have met at Hunt Tests. Additionally we all have a common objective and interest, which can foster life long friendships and relationships. You might even find a new hunting partner who will introduce you to his secret spot because he would like to hunt with you and your dog. This has happened to me on several occasions.

Hunt test and field trials are a formal means of testing your dog, as well as

being rewarded for exemplary performance. I have had many people over the years tell me that they don’t want to run Field Trials with their dog. They just want a good hunting dog. This was ME, just 20 short years ago. I did not know. I was ignorant to the game. I have found this to be the case with most people in that they do not know that there is indeed a difference between a traditional Field Trial and a Hunt Test. While most of us in NAHRA have a clear understanding of the differences, many people do not know the difference between the two games. In short, a Field Trial is a test in which the dogs compete against each other, and a Hunt Test is where the dogs are judged against a standard, not each other. Traditional Field Trials have been in existence for several decades, while hunt tests have only been around for just over 20 years. Hence, more people have heard about field trials than hunt tests. Both games are played very similar, but in a traditional field trial the tests tend to be a bit more demanding in that they must choose only one dog as the winner, so the tests need to be extremely challenging to weed out the dogs not exhibiting exemplary performance that day. Almost all of the people that had previously told me that they had no desire to run hunt tests, are now hooked on the game because of that one-time exposure to our game, at my request and coercion. **Because of this, I challenge each and every one of you to make every effort possible to expose all of their friends who own working dogs to attend and possibly run in a hunt test.** They will likely be hooked, just as many of us have been.

Now on to the question of which is better; Hunt Tests or Field Trials. The answer lies within each of our own

desires and expectations. I personally don't run traditional field trials because I do not have the time or financial resources to be as competitive as that game requires. I truly wish I did. While my dogs can perform most tasks asked of a dog in a field trial, they would have to do it better than any of the other dogs entered that day to place or win. That is indeed quite an accomplishment when you consider some of the high quality dogs and trainers that we have today. Field Trials are VERY competitive, and my hat goes off to any dog that even places in a traditional field trial. I personally like to run hunt tests because I can compete against an established standard, and it is possible for my dog to have success, regardless of what any of the other dogs did or how they performed on that day.

a Field Trial, or any of the most advanced levels of a Hunt Test, regardless of the organization. These dogs have had countless hours of training and have been held to the highest standards of a working dog. They know their work, and perform it flawlessly. It is indeed a special treat to go hunting with a dog that knows his game and performs it with the style and grace of an accomplished performer. You will very likely be awestruck by what an accomplished dog can do, and the pleasure will be all yours. This will be especially true if that dog is your own. Please support all dog testing programs to the greatest extent possible. You will thoroughly enjoy yourself and it is our insurance policy on constantly increasing the quality of mans best friend.

In summary, I would always welcome the opportunity to go to the field with any dog who has achieved an FC or AFC title from

Ed. Note: See p.30 for help telling your hunting friends about NAHRA.



Ms. Francisco & Friend

GMHR-WR Iowa River Gabby

by
Terry Hora



Three years ago when I went to pick up my new pup in Lebanon, Ohio, I never thought I would have a Grand Master Hunting Retriever to hunt over this Fall. My previous Lab, Shelby, was a really good hunting dog, but she had very little formal training and did things her way. Shelby learned to be a very effective hunting retriever, despite that. When I got Gabby I decided I was going to try to train her the right way.

My journey in formal training started on a Saturday morning in September when she and I visited Keith Stroyan and Nicki White while they were training on Keith's ponds. From that day on I was hooked. I wasn't sure Gabby was until the first Started test at Skunk River HRA the next Spring judged by Kirk Rice. Gabby was wound like a 7 day alarm clock, barking (which she still does sometimes), retrieving moss from the pond in between marks... We did not pass that day, but Gabby sure had fun and was ready for more. I was, too.

From that first test until the GMHR - also at Skunk River HRA - there have

been a lot of peaks and valleys in both training and at tests. If it had not been for the great NAHRA people I met and the members of the Eastern Iowa Hunting Retriever Association, I am not sure we would have gotten to the great day in August when Gabby achieved GMHR.

The photos on the left show a banded retrieve in the real game!



For Indian Hill Summer's Breeze 12/05/00 - 09/08/07

from
Kirk Rice



Breeder and initial trainer Kirk Rice received this message recently:

Kirk

You would have been very proud of how Breeze turned out. She would always squeal a yelp of elation when sending her on the first few retrieves and I've watched her do blind retrieves across 300 yard backwaters and mile-long open-water pursuits to recover a barely-crippled goose. She was featured in a Denver Post article last year and never failed to make me proud. I'm happy to say that I never took her abilities or love for granted, but my belief that she could do anything makes it harder to accept that she was still mortal.

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Yesterday, 9/8/07, Breeze died.

She was bitten by a rattlesnake while dove hunting and we could not save her. She would have been seven in December.

I was on a multiple-day hunt with two of my best friends in south eastern Colorado. The trip started fabulously, had a nice dove hunt on Friday night, a great teal hunt on Saturday morning immediately followed by a short dove hunt. Toward the end of the dove hunt, around 9:40am, Breeze was bitten by a rattlesnake while looking for a downed bird in heavy cover. I was only 15' away from her when I heard the snake, I called her back, but he had already bitten her.

At first, it didn't look bad. We found fang marks in her left rear foot, but little penetration or swelling. We administered anti-histamine in the field and took her to a local vet for additional treatment. The vet thought she'd be fine with steroid/antibiotic/anti-histamine, essentially determining that no swelling = no venom, despite her behavioral symptoms.

Toward afternoon, she exhibited swelling in her chest and I took her again to a different vet which had anti-venom medication available. She was admitted, and though looking poorly, we were still optimistic since her

symptoms could be attributed to her full day of hunting followed by the dehydration of vomiting.

Despite IV fluid & anti-venom treatment, she did not improve and continued to decline, slipping into a coma and finally dying around 8:40 pm. Saturday evening. We now believe that the snake bit her in the lower chest with venom penetrating the chest cavity -- worse yet, it was on her left side nearest her spleen. There was no initial swelling since the edema was inside her chest cavity. The second bite on her foot would probably have been fine, but the first bite so near her organs and from a very healthy 3.5' rattlesnake sealed her fate from the beginning.

Breeze has been a constant companion for me for five and a half years -- quite literally by my side 24 hours a day. She was a great family dog and a phenomenal hunting dog. She has made several hundred retrieves in her abbreviated career -- dozens of which were legendary. The morning before she died, she had made multiple text-book retrieves and completed one exceptional open water retrieve involving a 200 yard pursuit, finally diving under water for the final recovery -- and this she made look routine.

She was at once my child, my girlfriend, my hunting buddy and my best friend and losing her is tearing me apart. Her constant companionship makes her absence much more noticeable no matter where I am. She was her true self to the end, she never yelped when she was bit, and she handled the vet visits with grace. I spent the most of the afternoon on Saturday just petting her and holding her and she would always muster a tail-wag and an affectionate return despite her incredible pain.

I'm sorry to bear such bad news. Clearly Breeze passed far before her time, but she at least died doing what she loved most.

-Erik



MHR-I Irvine's Morning Sun Madison, SH

by
Cary G Irvine



As a six month old pup, we knew that we had taken on more than we could handle without some help.

You see, my husband and I already had a one year old black male lab that basically spoke English. Never chewed anything, house trained in less than a week... the perfect pup to say the least.

We decided we wanted a second. The search was on for a healthy, well-bred, yellow female. Our black male has some health issues so we were determined to get only the best. That's when we found Kevin and Wendy McLaren of Morning Sun Retrievers. I went and visited, fell in love with the expectant mother (Zena) and Kevin and Wendy seemed willing to put up with me! We put down a deposit and waited on the litter to be born.

On March 10, 2004, six little yellow pups were born. At almost 8 weeks, Maddy (named after James Madison as we are both JMU alums), the little orange one, came home.

At six months old, what I knew as obedience (I grew up with labs but never what I now know as a "trained retriever") seemed to be going well. Unstructured backyard time however was a completely different story, Maddy was bored. There were holes and I mean large, able to fit my 80lb black male into them, holes. We went through one whole set of deck furniture that Maddy decided tasted good and was apparently good relief for teething pain. For those of you with high-strung lab pups, I don't need to continue, you know the rest. So, I called Kevin and asked for help. He told me to come down the next weekend and meet him in the field as he would be training and he would evaluate her and give me some pointers.

That one visit was all it took. Maddy and I are now regulars at NAHRA and AKC tests in the Mid-Atlantic region. When not at a test, we travel almost every weekend to Weyers Cave for training and run drills in the yard most evenings. We made it through Started / Junior quickly,

staled a little with Intermediate / Senior but eventually moved on to Senior / Master.

Maddy received her NAHRA MHR title in April of this year. It was our last chance to qualify for the Invitational. This pass was special for us as Maddy and I passed as a team at the SVHRC test which is where we also received our first Started pass in March of 2005. Started to MHR title in almost exactly two years., not too bad for an amateur handler with no clue and an off the wall "little pocket rocket" (as she has lovingly been called by a friend in the field)!

With pride and completely shot nerves of just recently putting her MHR title on her, off to the Invitational in June we went. Maddy and I were one of the youngest teams there and definitely one of the most green having just completed her MHR title right before the deadline. All that hard work and we had made it... now, we had to pass the thing!

The Invitational went well. Maddy looked like a veteran through the land marks, land blind, quarter/sit to flush and trail. Handler nerves struck at water but as it seems more times than the reverse, Maddy pulled us through. We left the Invitational with ribbon in hand and a huge sense of accomplishment.

So, I would say this is the end of Maddy's story but as most of you probably know, with one of those high-strung lab pups as I mentioned earlier, the story is never over. We continually train, reiterate obedience and continue the power struggle in the field. I thank Kevin for taking me under his wing and not only training this pup to be a dog that I have become more proud of than words can describe but just as importantly, training me.

Next edition of the story is hopefully Maddy's AKC Master title and her GMHR.



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CHROME!

by
Doug Dodge



In January of 2005 I went to check out a puppy ad in the paper for black lab puppies. I tried to make a deal on all of the females EXCEPT the one with four white feet. The breeder insisted that I take her, so I bought four female pups with one at a severely discounted price. In the fall three of the females were sold as started hunting dogs with the reject left behind. I had named her OGF Black Chrome because her white feet flickered as she ran.

She started her hunt test career in the spring of 2006 at Skunk River. The dog did fairly well, in spite of her inexperienced handler. She got her started title, passed the Regional test, and got one Intermediate pass that summer. Throughout the winter we continued training. In the summer of 2007 she completed her Intermediate title with two extra passes.

We moved to senior level, but once again, the handler was not up to the task. With advice and help from other senior handlers, Chrome's human was able to improve. She completed her MHR at Skunk River with two extra passes to date. Our goal for the next year is to participate in RAW and continue toward GMHR.

Ed. Note: Doug used to call Chrome's name kinda loud. Folks like me with hearing deficits are allowed to tease a little. Doug, the region is proud of you.

And for the rest of you: Don't listen to explosions and use Fox 40s.

SR Mayhem's Life of the Party

by
Mary Alice Hembree



Photo by Dennis Glennon

My Curly-Coated Retriever finished a title in May for which I did not send in a photo earlier --- don't know whether it is too late. I really like the photo, which is copyrighted. The photographer, Dennis Glennon gave me permission to submit it. Call name: Camy.

I couldn't figure out how to send you a photo via the NAHRA website. Not much of a story, for that lowly title. We live in a highly urban area and my job prevents much training. So that she even completed Started is a tribute to her. The photo was taken as she completed her third leg, at Navesink's tests.

Ed. Note: *I think it's a great story to get work for an urban dog.*

SR.Autumwynd Midnite N Jorja WC JH

by
Marie-P.Babin

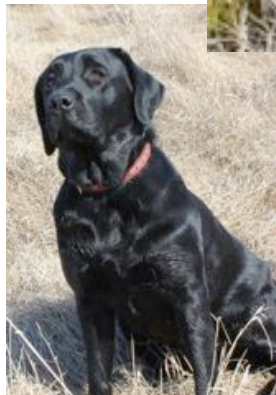
I took part in NAHRA tests this Summer for the first time and really enjoyed the tests, the organizers were great and I also enjoyed meeting the participants.

I had done CKC Working Certificate tests and CKC Hunt tests in the past with my dogs but NAHRA was new to me.

My black Labrador Ret. "Jorja" (SR. Autumwynd Midnite N Jorja WC JH) DOB Sept. 19/05 passed her first four tests in July & Aug.

Her two first legs were earned July 7th & 8th at the Horseshoe Hunting Ret. Club in Ontario and the last two on Aug. 4th & 5th at the South Western Pennsylvania Hunting Ret. Club.

As Jorja had never seen a live flyer, I was very proud of how she worked. She really loves retrieving.



Goose Island's Outlaw Gunslinger

by
Bob Riggs



A couple of years back I watched a Field Trial at Chicaqua Bottoms Greenbelt in Iowa and there was a dog there that caught my eye. I watched him run a land series and it looked like he was shot out of a cannon when he came off of the line and I wanted to know more about him. I acquired a program and saw that the dog was Taylorlab Downtown Dusty Brown, of course now he has an FC in front of that name. Since I was in the initial stages of looking for a pup I did some research on Dusty and decided he would definitely be a fine candidate when looking for a breeding. A short time later I was watching the World Retriever Championship on TV and saw Dusty again as he took second place in the event. It was then that I decided that he was the dog I wanted a pup out of. As dusty became well known there were a lot of breedings taking place but the majority were out of my price range. After several months of searching for a quality breeding within my price range I found a Tournament Hunting Champion female that Dusty was bred to in Kansas. After talking with the owner of the female several times and getting advice from others I decided on this litter. I brought home my Dustbucket in May of 2006. "Goose Island's Outlaw Gunslinger", call name Josie. (I'm a big Clint Eastwood fan) Since then we have spent hundreds of hours together training, lounging on the couch and just being buddies. We entered our first started test last spring and passed three out of three tests. By the time the next test rolled around she was beyond started in training so we moved into intermediate. In her first intermediate try we failed on the trail, a training gap that was my fault. After that we passed four out of the next four Intermediate tests to get her WR title at the Skunk River Hunting Retriever Association's test in July. At the time she got her WR title we were already training for the Senior stake and we will be entering our first Senior test at the Four Points Retriever Club's test in Wisconsin just as she is turning 18 months. It is yet to be determined what the outcome of this will be. But whatever happens I can't wait to get her in the CRP fields and the marshes this fall and winter to reap the benefits that the NAHRA program has provided both of us.

MHR Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway

by
Joe Meade

This was a great summer for Drake and I. Not only did we title once, but we titled twice!

After a lot of training and hard work I now am proud to call my dog a Master Hunter. It is hard to believe we accomplished all of this in less than two years, but we did. When I first picked Drake up in October of '05 I knew nothing of NAHRA other than it was something I might try at one point or another. My main goal for my first dog was to have a companion and a hunting partner. If he could have brought back a single duck, I would have been happy. I decided to see how far I could really go in this crazy game, so I signed up for a Started Event in Western NY.

Apparently I had a little more to learn as a handler. After floundering that first NAHRA test after about three minutes flat, we came back and titled Started in July of '06 at Horseshoe. We were also able to squeeze in one pass for Intermediate later that summer.

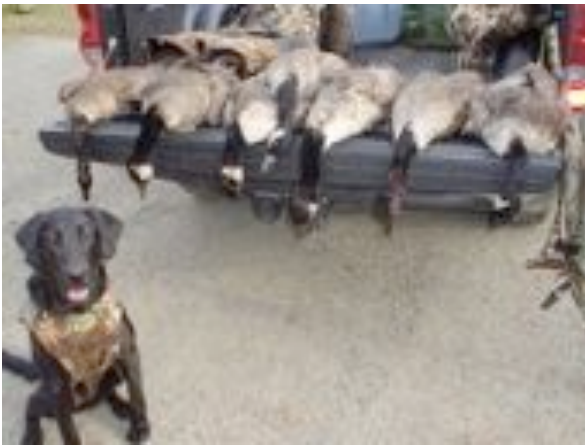
Before starting the summer season of 2007, Drake had a hunting season under his belt and was ready to run Master. I wanted to finish our WR title first and he passed four out of four tests and titled at Leatherstocking in early June.

The highlight of the summer, however, came on the day of his second birthday, August 4th in Southwest PA, where he titled for Master Hunter. By some miracle, we finished the Master early on Saturday and made the deadline!

Looking back on the past two years I am very proud of our accomplishments. We would not have been able to do it if it weren't for so many new friends we have made in NAHRA that have helped us along the way. No matter what venue of NAHRA, every member I have met is very courteous and willing to help and give advice. We certainly look forward to seeing everyone again in all the events leading to our next title – GMHR.

In the meantime, we are looking forward to the upcoming hunting season and I cannot wait to have my MHR in the copilot seat.

Happy Hunting and Best Wishes,





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GMHR MHR WR SR Ravens Midnight Madness JH SH MH

owned by

Kathryn and John Cowlbeck

had a nice write up in the Bedford (Virginia) Bulletin

<http://www.bedfordbulletin.com/articles/2007/08/01/sports/sports01.txt>

Real Hunting vs Testing

by

Walt Richards

I've been out of NAHRA for a while, but have been day dreaming about the hunting seasons I'll miss this year and the NAHRA tests I missed last summer. I used to thoroughly enjoy training and testing through the year to prepare for the real thing in the fall.

Hunting, like lots of things in life, is governed by Murphy's Laws. Whatever can go wrong, will - and does sometimes in hunting. But the extremes of hunting don't make for good testing. In thinking about this contradiction - for lack of being able to do the real thing - I thought I'd send NAHRA News these thoughts.

Upland Blockers

Sometimes when pheasants are running or cover is very high, it's a reasonable hunting strategy to post blockers and work the dogs toward them. The blocker scenario can be used in tests to save the workers walking or because workers for the next part of the test are stationed at the end of the upland field.

It makes for a bad test in either case. The dogs know they're at a test and are drawn to the workers ahead rather than putting on a good hunt.

Into the wind marks

Typically waterfowl land into the wind and this makes for wind at the back marks. Once in a while a bird will go down into the wind in real hunting, so why not use it in tests?

Into the wind marks make bad marking tests. If a dog breaks into a hunt early on into the wind marks, it's almost impossible to know if the dog mis-marked the fall and is hunting its way to it or if it has winded the bird and is cautiously working into it. A judge simply can't tell if the dog has marked the fall or not. It turns marks into a guessing game: quartering or cautious marking??

You probably should train on into the wind marks and blinds once in a while, if for nothing more than to see for yourself what goes wrong.

Intermediate blinds too close to marks

In real hunting blind retrieves often have to be run through areas where previous marks or blinds have been run. Judges can make up a story that since they have moved the line the old falls shouldn't interfere with the dogs. That's horrible.

Moving the line and running through the old falls is often harder than just running through the falls. Intermediate blinds are only to test a basic skill. Find a clean area.

Re-dragged trails

The worst and most common error in setting up trailing tests is re-dragging the same trail too often. Inexperienced judges do it a lot. Sometimes the mechanics really tempts you to do it. Sometimes the trail seems to be working for 4 or 5 dogs, the not working for a dog or 2, then working again. This might be because the dogs in between couldn't trail, but more likely is because the trail was over scented and some how recovered again.

I can't think of a real hunting excuse for re-dragging trails too often even with Murphy's Law of Hunting. Crippled game isn't likely to run down the same trail...

Good hunting. I hope to re-join y'all next year.



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Help the Field Test Secretary

From: name withheld to protect the innocent
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I am cutting papers apart and not getting the correct \$\$\$
\$, and trying to read peoples hand writing. The nuns
would not have been pleased???

Hi Rosemary

Maybe the attached could be edited or just put in the next
NEWS.

It is that time of year again,,,,, for me.

I feel better!

Anonymous

Help the Field Test Secretary

- **TYPE YOUR APPLICATION**
- Please send your application in on time.
- If you want to know your running order, send in a postcard, or better yet just come when the testing starts. Now there's a thought!
- Detach and **cut to size** your dinner application, "the pig roast" paper.
- If you have a creative name for your dog, and some of us do, **type** the name.
- **TYPE YOUR APPLICATION**
- Indicate on all applications what test you are entering, "Senior A or B". Don't make us guess.
- If you are entering two tests, send in two separate, complete, applications.
- When sending in two applications, **cut them apart** and trim them a bit. Do not send two applications on one page. They need to be **cut apart** to be sent into NAHRA. In the past someone has done that for you!!!
- Add up your entry fee more than once. One check for both entries and dinner.
- **TYPE YOUR APPLICATION**
- Use the test application forms available on line
http://www.nahranews.net/uploads/docs/forms/FT_Entry.pdf
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-and **TYPE YOUR APPLICATION**

It will be greatly appreciated if you can follow the above listed items and maybe keep the test secretary from quitting.

Reports from the Regions



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Ok, so the theme for this NAHRA News is Training and Testing Accomplishments. The sad part is that there really weren't any in the Rocky Mountain Region this year. We're not going to let that happen in 2008. What I really need is some help. I need to know how you go out and recruit new members in your areas. I have some advice from a few sources, but I want to

see if there is any new information out there. The "Old Guard" of NAHRA in our area is tired and they have lives of their own. They ran clubs and tests for years, but it's time to get some new people in here. January, February and March are going to be the months when we try to make a push. Hunting season is over, and people are either tired of hunting with an

untrained dog, or ready to get a dog cause hunting without one is a lot less fun. So if you have any ideas, drop me a line at cgoeson@hotmail.com. Thanks for your help.



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Hope all has gone well with everyone over the last several hot and muggy summer months. Now the temperature is cooling down and it's the time of the year for fall hunt tests to begin in the Mid-Atlantic. So, go out and support the clubs holding the events, to make this a fantastic test season. Than, right around the corner my favorite time of the year, hunting season.

Gunner and I just can't wait to get back out in the blinds and get our bird limits in the upcoming hunting seasons.

Congratulations to SMHRC for a wonderful job on the Retriever demo at the outdoor show, which also promoted NAHRA. Thanks to everyone who helped

in making this an enjoyable and successful event.

I will be participating in as many of the events as possible. I'm looking forward to getting out and chatting with you all at these events as well.



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Greetings from the Northwest, though that title might not be entirely accurate. From the greater NAHRA picture, no doubt we are in the northwest corner (excluding Alaska). Interestingly, we currently have three active clubs on the east side of the Continental Divide. Additionally Spokane, being our busiest club, is located on the east edge of the Great Divide and over 300 miles from the Pacific Ocean! My stereotype thoughts of the term "Northwest" conjure up images of coastal rain forests and most households supported by logging, Boeing, or Microsoft. I suppose these images would be false for any "real world" location, but at least closer to the mark for what is labeled as the Pacific Northwest. Alaska as being somewhere on a separate planet. Now where does that leave us? Back in the Northwest corner, albeit a big corner. So the current title will have to do. Where am I going with all this?

What is the difference in handlers, hunting, and clubs between our regions? Probably not as much as many think. I see this great diversity of habitat and hunting styles right here within our region. Overall the Northwest has a few more square miles per capita, though I don't know anyone that lives in a place called "Overall". We contend with shrinking hunting opportunities and changing political correctness just like everyone has to (even the far north). Widely different hunting techniques and habits can be observed within our own region, with no need to travel to Virginia to see diversity. What I do see as important is continued efforts to expose judges and handlers to different regions. Without this cross-pollination, any one area can quickly become its own Galapagos Island. Developing strong characteristics specific to their local area. Not because specific areas need different dog skills, but left to their own devices programs will develop and progress differently. We tend to accept a certain home court advantage, but we are always preaching the development of versatile hunting dogs. Whether we realize this or

not we combat this specialization within our regions by attending and judging other events in easy driving range. Though doubtless the definition of "easy" -does change from area to area. It's a little trickier as the miles grow between Regions.

My home club in Spokane has prided itself on bringing in outside names on a regular basis, then 2007 came around with several imported judges having to cancel due to those pesky career distractions (sometimes referred to as a life outside of dogs). I say this only to deflect folks accusing me of calling the kettle black. My point is not to pound our chest, but to encourage all clubs to make active efforts to continue this practice. With travel costs up and discretionary income for entries down, I know this is doubly hard. Being unable to have as many outside judges as we wish needs to not become an excuse to never have them. Each club to their abilities and circumstances. One small additional point I always encourage is to pair these outside judges with locals. Not everyone does this, but there is a lot of visiting and discussions between judging dogs. These outside judges are a valuable resource for comparing notes. I vote for spreading around this information. Even when we don't want to hear it. Efforts along these lines might add a bit of work in the short run, but prevent splintering of our core purpose better than any policy or rule ever can.

Now that I have finished my monolog, how did the Northwest do this year? I'm a realist and hate painting an unrealistic picture. Ignoring the down sides every club, program, or any organization has to confront. Having said that, there was a lot to be pleased with. The Helena Valley Gun Dog Club sponsored their first Licensed NAHRA Test. And it didn't rain until 5:00 pm on Sunday! Naturally all tests were finished except the tail end of the one I was judging. My co-judge and I struggled through it with game handlers hanging in there. No one to blame but ourselves for that. Despite this minor

bump, the weekend was a success, and I plan on attending next years event as a handler. For all you Albertans, note this is a easier drive than any other tests in the lower 48.

Big Sky (near Kalispell) and the three Spokane tests went off without a hitch, with the Montana's club banquet being especially impressive. Spokane is a bit small of a club to be hosting three tests yearly, but we get er done. Trimming a few details like banquets and raffles. Truth is we already tax our local retailers pretty hard for other club functions. Our help and job distribution can get a bit thin (sound familiar). So Spokane's Saturday evening tailgate dinner is free, and sometimes pretty basic. As we have spread this job around to different folks a competitive spirit has gradually grown. Many have put together vittles well beyond what you expect to see in a clearing out on the test grounds. And one less necessary job to collect and keep track of payment.

2006 & 2007 have seen Calgary and Edmonton condense their two weekends each into one three day weekend each. These are run consecutively with only 3 non-test days in between. I suppose this could be considered shrinkage, but the world is changing and I see this as an effective way to keep travel costs within the reach of the largest group possible. Both tests were run efficiently with the Alberta Clippers also sponsoring our Regional Test. The festivities were fantastic with live music under their new covered area. After profits were divvied up with the host club, the event netted about \$1,000 for our Northwest Regional Fund. Great job!

It can be a treacherous path giving thanks, as many deserving names are usually left out. I'll venture out on a limb and point out Sharon Willis and Steve & Carol Fox as being tireless contributors, but there were many others. I can be a stickler for keeping everything accurate between various currencies. Notice this year I didn't need to differentiate

between US and Canadian dollars, as they are currently almost the same. No passports needed for ground travel yet, but we are expecting some changes soon.

In our region the Puget Sound Retriever Club is the originator of the three day test concept. Unfortunately theirs has become lined up next to these two Canadian weekends. Looking on a map one can see the huge distance this is to separate tests on three consecutive weekends. For the same basic market! Understandably entries were down this year. As the Regional Director I made a point to run dogs in all three, but I might be the only handler to commit to this travel. Obviously there is room for improvement in scheduling. Entries down or not, Puget Sound put on a great test and hats off to their organizational skills. Negotiations are in progress and chances are good this will be the location of 2008's Regional Test. I'll keep club representatives posted on that.

Our region finished off with Spokane's third & final test. Though not a record breaker in entries, they were solid, and the weather did not fry us. Not always a given in August. Our local professional trainer/handler Dan & Janette Hosford taking the day off from dogs to cook us a culinary extravaganza.

Incidentally, we had Rosemary look it up, and records show this is the 63rd Licensed NAHRA Test the Spokane Bird Dog Association has sponsored, almost all of them double events. That is a lot of weekends!

What did we lose this year? The Treasure Valley Retriever Club (near Boise) decided to cancel their NAHRA test this year. Frankly I understand their position. Their location is off our beaten path and many of us have not made much effort to travel down there, despite them moving tests to the beautiful area of McCall, Idaho. They are surrounded closely by several strong AKC Hunt Test clubs, which do support them well. Of note they did decide to continue to support NAHRA. This was not a change grown out of dissatisfactions with our program. Just facing the reality of who was paying the bills. A gals gotta eat. The door is still open, so we never know what the future holds.

I was finishing up this piece when I noticed Keith Stroyan's reminder to get it

done. He is a tireless worker in keeping us on track, more people should know that. He also mentioned encouragement to focus our piece on recent accomplishments.

Well I must have missed that earlier, and am too lazy to start over. So what can I include that might grab some interest?

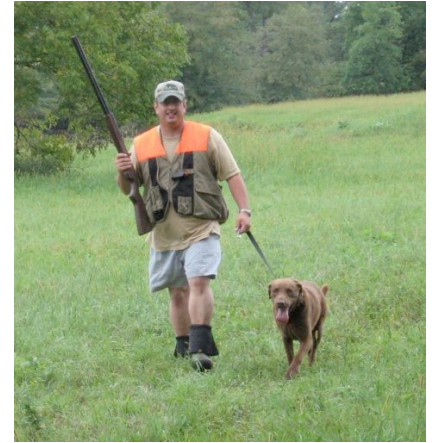
Shopping at Sears in Spokane yesterday I happened across a new resident to the area which has run NSTRA events elsewhere. That's National Shoot To Retrieve Association, a pointing dog event. The SBDA sponsors some of these too, and we struck up a conversation as I hooked him up with some local contacts. He had read the local outdoor scribes mention of our yearly club trophies. The SBDA has awards for most qualifications for all three NAHRA categories. One for "OPEN", and another for "AMATEUR" (with some NSTRA awards as well).

Well our top NAHRA Intermediate dog last year was a German Shorthair Pointer! Carol Ramsay and Gina, or is that Gina & Carol? Everyone I know was quite happy for their accomplishment. Unfortunately the writers coverage of our Banquet seemed to end there (he has a Brittany). He may have felt we were upset, but most of us were quite proud of this first ever for our club, make that region. Unusual as it was.

Incidentally Carol has taken the challenge and they have stepped up to Senior. I won't say they are burning up the field, but I know they've got a least one qualification under their belt. Time to step off the soap box and breathe.

I just went to a presentation last week about upland bird hunting programs in Washington State. There are actually quite a few. The local biologist is a serious hunter with kids and an eye to the future. Our yearly forecast is on the upswing, and on those positive notes may all of you have a great hunting season with your four legged partners.

Straight Lines.



Dan Cram & Mean Stinky Zeus
Go BROWN!





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The Midwest NAHRA Region has had a wonderful year. Things started off with a meeting of the NAHRA Club contacts at the Owatonna, MN Cabelas store. To be honest, that didn't go very well because some old friction boiled over and got mixed with some new... However, it got the problems in the open, we all communicated about it afterwards and held a region-wide eMail vote on a new Regional Agreement. By the time the ice went out in March, everyone was satisfied with the plan to move forward.

During the Spring we agreed to have the Region sponsor a booth at the big national winter meeting of Pheasants Forever:

<http://www.pheasantsforever.org/page/PheasantFest.jsp>

Kirk Rice and Mike Kingland got us a great corner booth. Stop by booth #959 between 18 and 20 January 2008 if you're near St. Paul, MN. They're planning on 30,000 or more visitors. (Doug Kelley really started this ball rolling last winter.)

Four Points RC also received the bid to host the 2008 Invitational at Kelley Farms near St. Paul, MN, and the whole region is planning to support that effort in various ways.

Testing got under way at the Skunk River HRA in April, continued in May at Four Points, EIHRA, Mid West RC, then June at Okoboji. These events were covered in the Summer eNews.

The mid west has notoriously hot humid summers and 2007 was no exception. Four Points held a 3 day event in July and we all got to "enjoy" that weather. One day the judges were very creative and set up a nice

test in the shaded woods. It really saved the day given the heat. The last day we got to "enjoy" another mid western meteorological event - a severe thunderstorm that stopped the water test with wind and lightning, blew down the huge dinner tent and almost blew us all down to the Marine on St. Croix...

Skunk river followed up with their second test in July and Mid West hosted their second test with a three-day event including the Regional in August. As of this writing, Four Points hasn't yet run their third event - an unusual September event aimed at qualifying more dogs for the 2008 Invitational.

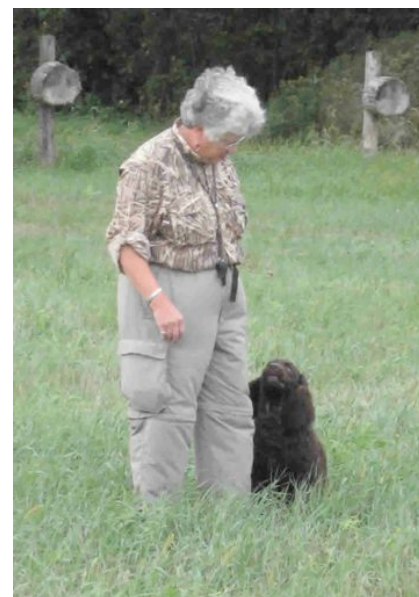
There was lots of success by individual dogs and their humans as you can read elsewhere in this issue of the eNews.

Our August Regional Club NAHRA Contact meeting went very well. We made plans for the Region to help with the start-up costs of the Invitational and approved a Clinic on How to Give Judging and Handling Clinics to be led by Brad Lindberg in March 2008. The idea is to help our experienced judges and handlers learn how to present an effective clinic. The hope then is that teams from the various clubs will then give local clinics during the year. We'll post more information about this on the NAHRAnews.org site in the winter in case you want to visit another Cabelas' store... and come to the clinic.

2008 is also an election year for or Regional Director. I want that to be a free and open process. There's plenty of work to go around...



Team McLabs - the McFarlands



Sue and Justin - recovered ears!



South Carolina Handlers in the MW

For the MidWest NAHRA Region, these are the good old days. Now we look forward to the real hunting seasons across our Region. This is where the training will pay off ribbons or not.



MidWest Started Regional



Friday Senior Water - MidWest Regional



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Hello everyone,

I would like to talk to you about the new Hunter level. It is extremely important for all clubs to be able to offer to our members a second option, the Hunter level. Why? Life goes by fast and not everyone has the time to train their dogs and the Hunter level is a good compromise between the Started and Intermediate levels; it shortens the gap between these two levels. Also, less people become discouraged as well with a level such as this one. In Québec, Canada, we have introduced the Hunter Level, which has been very appreciated by the members of our club. We have in mind to continue to offer this level to all of our members.

We must always keep in mind that training a dog should always be done with pleasure and the Hunter level should bring this pleasure within us.



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As you know, I missed the deadline for submitting a Northeast report for the last issue. Sorry, but I was a bit busy at the time with RAW Invitational preparations. That's my story and I am sticking to it. I have to say that I have never been associated an event that came off so smoothly. The hardest decision the Field Test Committee had to make all week was to move the BBQ back an hour on Saturday! A problem I could live with.

I don't know about you but I have had enough of summer and its heat and humidity already. Those crisp fall temperatures cannot get here fast enough! I know the dogs cannot wait to get back to a regular schedule of training in some reasonably decent weather. And more importantly, we head to the fields and marshes! However, there is still some Northeast NAHRA business to attend to before that happens.

With the exception of one cancellation, the Northeast test schedule has come off as planned and from all accounts, each test faired pretty well. I have to confess that with all I have been doing this year, I have not kept as close an eye on the entries this year but from the tests I attended and reports from others, they seem to be on par with 2006.

The season kicked off in March with a Judges clinic sponsored by the Western New York Retriever Club and Leatherstocking Hunting Retriever Association. I had a great time co-presenting with Joe Letta, who is without a doubt one of our most colorful characters in this part of the world. Joe just happens to be a long time judge and a pretty fair dog trainer who, by the way, recently decided to hang up his whistles. While he vows to continue to terrorize handlers from the judge's chair, we will certainly miss him handling dogs and teaching young handlers.

Navesink River Hunting Retriever Club held the first field test of the season followed by

Northern Piedmont Retriever Club and Hudson Highlands Hunting Retriever Association in April. The May schedule continued with double everything events at Lake Champlain Retriever Club, Navesink River Hunting Retriever Club and Western New York Retriever Club. Michele Rapp provides an account of the latter event.

"Our 2007 NAHRA Licensed Field Test was a success. Western New York's weather cooperated this year and the Chairperson and Committee Members were complimented on the smooth running tests. We had an enthusiastic new Chairperson, Jeff Tegelaar, coordinating our test this year and supporting the NAHRA program. We were also happy to have judges we haven't seen in a while come out and judge for us along with the newbies we saw participating in all tests.

The DEC wouldn't allow the use of "wild pigeons" this year, so the use of a "live duck on the flush" caused a few dogs to look twice, but most watched with anxious eyes and steady feet. We were pleased to have many Senior Handlers come out and qualify their dogs as a warm-up for the Regional as well as those that achieved their "1st Qualification at Western".

Noted in this year's entries was the number of Intermediate dogs. We had the highest number of dog/handler teams competing at the Intermediate Level that we have seen in several years. This was an excellent sign that our program is working. Hunting Dogs are being successfully trained to that next level. We hope to see them all move up to Senior.

Congrats to all handlers, thanks for coming to Western New York, and we hope to see you next year."

Leatherstocking Hunting Retriever Association held the only NE event in June due mostly to the upcoming RAW Invitational, which was held 10 days later in



Jeff and Morgan



Michele and Jammer



Trish and Bill relax

Central Pennsylvania. For many years now, LHRA has held a successful double everything event at their beautiful Three Rivers Management Area outside of Syracuse. Horseshoe Hunting Retriever Club rounded out the first half of the Northeast season with a double everything at their grounds in southern Ontario.

SWPAHRC kicked off the “second half” with their double everything event near Grove City, Pennsylvania. From all accounts, it was a very successful event with some very encouraging numbers of entries at the Started and Intermediate levels. SWPAHRC President Ted Givens indicated that they surpassed last year’s event by nearly 50 entries despite a very hot weekend. A little breeze on Saturday and a brief shower Sunday made things a little more bearable. Charlene Givens even managed two passes on her Started passes on her pup despite being on crutches. As has become custom, the club provided a great dinner and raffle Saturday evening.

The Northeast Regional Event was hosted by Hudson Highlands Hunting Retriever Association near Montgomery NY. The

event was a great success due to the hard work of the Field Test Committee particularly Kim Schiller and Scott Leonescu. I want to express my thanks to the all of the HHHRA and Navesink members who did a great job manning the bird stations in some pretty hot and humid conditions. Thankfully, the grounds are heavily wooded and provide for a lot of shaded areas to cool the dogs.

Thanks also to the Regional Judges; Char and Ted Givens, Tom Moore, Jon Vernam, Trish Jagoda and Bill Whiteford for setting up challenging but fair tests. In addition, thank you Roy and Diane Sheppard for a great Senior test in some pretty tough conditions.

The weekend had several firsts, but none was more special than the addition of another 1000-point dog and handler. Congratulations to Jeff Riebling and Kali. In addition, Mike Minchoff secured his first Senior qualification on his dog Gauge. As you can see, the million dollar smiles say it all. A big “atta boy” to both of you from all of us!



Mike and Gauge



Paul and Wayne



Roy and Diane Sheppard school Paul Young on the merits of the test.



Jeff and Kali

Started Titles

ABBEY BE, LAB, F, 1/10/2005, BOB BEATTIE; **AUTUMWYND HARVEST KNIGHT**, LAB, M, 9/19/2005, MARYKE WARWICK; **BAIER'S LADY GABRIELLE**, LAB, F, 4/18/2005, MELISA BAIER & FRITZ BAIER; **BELQUEST BARNSTORMER**, LAB, M, 9/23/2002, JOHN MCGUIRE & ELIZABETH MCGUIRE; **BIG BEN BOOMER OF BLACK FOREST**, LAB, M, 12/24/2005, BRIAN INGALLS; **BLINE'S SUPERNOVA**, LAB, F, 2/16/2005, PATRICIA VAN BREGT & CHRIS BAYLES; **BREEZE'S NORTHERN STORM**, LAB, M, 10/23/2006, JAMES F. NICHOLS; **BROADBILL BUSTER**, LAB, M, 3/9/2004, ERIC JOHNSON; **CAERLEONS BLACK EYED DAISY**, LAB, F, 5/6/2006, ROBERT ALAN BLACK; **CANVASBACK'S ALASKAN KODA**, CBR, M, 3/7/2004, STEPHEN SATTERLEE & ALISA LOUANGAPHAY; **CAPTAIN'S BRIDE LIEUTENANT'S PRIDE**, LAB, F, 12/5/2002, MARQUITA KAMINSKY; **CAWARRA'S GENTLE BEN**, LAB, M, 9/9/2005, DIANE E. KENDALL; **CHESAKA ZOE BEAR**, CBR, F, 8/9/2002, MARY PEMBERTON; **CHIEF'S LADY CHESTER OF GUNSMOKE**, GOLDEN, M, 5/2/2005, DONALD I. DILLON II; **COTTON PICKEN DREAMER (PACO)**, LAB, M, 4/14/2006, MS. FRANCES JULIA

HARVEY; **CULANDUBH'S BUCK NINETY**, LAB, F, 2/6/2006, PETER FARGEY; **DIRK DIGGLER**, LAB, M, 6/27/2005, SAM KLEPZIG & CHRIS REDMOND; **ESLANA'S LADY AMY OF SUNHOLLOW**, GOLDEN, F, 11/20/2003, LINDA BRYERTON & STEPHEN BRYERTON; **FLYING B'S TOP GUNNER**, LAB, M, 10/17/2000, GEORGE BILLIAR; **GLAINDDU'S MONTANA JEWEL**, FCR, M, 5/18/2005, CHERYL PALOMBO & CATHERINE A. PREECE; **HARDLABORS HERE COMES TUCKER**, LAB, M, 8/12/2001, CHRIS BAYLES & PATRICIA VANBREGT; **JACKSON CREEK'S DANCING JIGS**, LAB, M, 6/8/2005, CHRIS PECCIA & DIDI PECCIA; **KILLARNEY'S LITTLE FIREBALL**, LAB, F, 6/7/2006, JOHN M. GILBERT; **L AND LS TALLY HO TRIPPER**, LAB, F, 3/8/2005, JEREMY HARMON; **LAST ACT OF DEFIANCE**, LAB, F, 4/28/2006, ROBERT TRAPP; **MALLORY'S WHITE BEAR**, LAB, F, 12/29/2004, MARY REID & GARY REID; **MAYHEM'S LIFE OF THE PARTY**, CCR, F, 5/17/2004, MARY ALICE HEMBREE; **MCFARLANDS PRECIOUS PENELOPE**, LAB, F, 4/22/2005, DARIN MCFARLAND & SARAH MCFARLAND; **MIGHTY TELKWA TAILOUT**, LAB, F, 7/29/2006, KEITH MYOTT & CATHY BAKEBERG; **MORNINGLO LIGHTNING STRIKES**, GOLDN, M, 5/21/2005, GAIL BOURGEOIS & JOSEPH W. BOURGEOIS; **NORTH COUNTRY'S BLACKWATER DEKE**,

LAB, M, 10/4/2006, MR. TERRY S. HUNT; **OKOBOJI GAME FARM'S DOPPLER RADAR**, LAB, M, 8/3/2006, MICHAEL ANDERSON; **REDLION'S DOWN THE ROAD**, CBR, M, 12/20/2001, JANE PAPPLER & MARK BAXTER; **RESSLERS LADY BESS**, LAB, F, 1/30/2005, WILLIAM RESSLER; **SAD DAY FOR DEDUCKS SADIE**, BOYKIN, F, 5/25/2004, KIRK RICE; **SHADOWMYST PROMISED ONE**, LAB, M, 1/23/2005, JULIE A. REEVES; **SHEPPARDS MIDNITE MAGIC**, LAB, F, 4/22/2006, DIANE SHEPPARD & ROY SHEPPARD; **SID XI**, LAB, M, 2/19/2000, DARIN MCFARLAND & SARAH MCFARLAND; **SILVERBROOKS COOL HAND LUKE**, LAB, M, 10/16/2005, MICHAEL MORRIS; **STEVENS SIZZLING MAGNUM MAX**, LAB, M, 11/19/2003, MARK STEVENS; **STONE COSMICS CINDER**, LAB, F, 5/8/2006, PAUL SWENSON; **TURKEY CREEKS BLAZINGSTAR**, LAB, F, 1/20/2005, DEB BECK & WILLIAM BECK; **WAPSI RIVER'S UPLAND DRAKE**, LAB, M, 11/6/2005, JOHN R. TAYLOR & BEVERLY TAYLOR; **WINDMERE'S ELEMENTAL**, LAB, F, 7/17/2004, JOHN MCGUIRE & ELIZABETH MCGUIRE; **WINDROWS DUCKS IN A ROW**, GOLDEN, M, 11/10/2005, MARY BARRETT; **WINE COUNTRY ROLLIN ROCK**, AWS, M, 10/24/2003, GROVER W. SMITH & GERDA J. SMITH



Kelsey & Stella McFarland

Working Retriever Titles

BLUE RIDGE FOOTHILLS HUNTER, LAB, M, 10/5/2004, DANIEL SCHMIDT & BETTY SCHMIDT; **BRIANS 44MAGNUM MONSTER**, LAB, M, 6/16/2004, BRIAN WELCH; **DEEP RUN SIR DRAKE OF GATEWAY**, LAB, M, 8/4/2005, JOSEPH MEADE IV; **DUSTY'S DESERT STORM**, LAB, M, 3/12/2005, CARL STREBE & SANDY STREBE; **FRY CREEK BOOMER'S DRAKE**, LAB, M, 4/28/2005, SHAWN SUMMERKAMP;

GOLDENDREAM BOO O' SNOWRIVER, GOLDEN, M, 6/8/2000, CINDY TRANN & BARBARA NEWMAN; **HELLS CANYON HILLBILLY JED**, LAB, M, 2/15/2006, RICK LATHAM; **KODIAKS SWEET LUCY LOU**, LAB, F, 4/29/2005, MICHAEL HUGHES; **MALLORY'S WHITE BEAR**, LAB, F, 12/29/2004, MARY REID & GARY REID; **MY SHOTGUN SHELLEY**, LAB, F, 10/18/2002, BRETT FULGONI; **PINE ACRE'S DAKOTA SAND CREEK**, LAB, M, 2/20/2003, CHRIS SNOW & SUE SNOW;

RESSLERS LADY BESS, LAB, F, 1/30/2005, WILLIAM RESSLER; **SCOUT'S ADA MAE**, GOLDEN, F, 3/6/2004, TODD CLICKNER; **SEMPER CHOO CHOO CH'BOOGIE**, GOLDEN, M, 10/5/2002, KEN WILLSON; **SIR REBEL JAKE OF EAGLE RIDGE**, LAB, M, 3/18/2005, JOHN HOFFMAN; **TAYLER'S AUTUMN GOLD**, LAB, F, 10/3/2005, GREG DOUGHTY & DEB DOUGHTY; **UPLANDS DARKLIGHT MIDNIGHT**, LAB, F, 8/27/2003, JANE TOLENO & S. THOMAS TOLENO

Master Hunting Retriever Titles

CCR UP A CREEK AND PADDLE N, LAB, F, 6/1/2000, TRIG BIRKELAND & ANGELA BIRKELAND; **DEEP RUN SIR DRAKE OF GATEWAY**, LAB, M, 8/4/2005, JOSEPH MEADE IV; **DR JODIES HALEY ABBY JANE**, LAB, F, 9/3/2004, MICHAEL W. SCHMOLL; **MY SHOTGUN SHELLEY**, LAB, F, 10/18/2002,

BRETT FULGONI; **NORTH COUNTRY'S TRUE SPIRIT**, LAB, F, 12/24/2003, RICK STEENHOVEN; **OGF BLACK CHROME**, LAB, F, 10/30/2004, DOUGLAS DODGE; **RAMERS INSTANT CASH MACHINE**, LAB, M, 6/19/2003, ROBERT RAMER; **SEMPER CHOO CHOO CH'BOOGIE**, GOLDEN, M, 10/5/2002, KEN WILLSON; **SOUTHLAND SHALLOW BAY SHAMUS**, LAB, M, 4/25/2003, MIKE

REED & KAYLEIGH REED; **TRIEVEN'S ARROWHEAD EXPRESS**, LAB, F, 4/17/2002, DON BENSON; **TUNDRA'S JUMPIN JACK FLASH**, LAB, M, 4/21/2003, DWIGHT DIAL & KIM DIAL; **WATERLAND'S NITRO CHARGED HURRICANE HOLLY**, LAB, F, 2/28/2004, BOB BOEH & SANDI BOEH; **WORTH-IT SHOHOLA ZEKE**, LAB, M, 11/22/2004, KEITH STROYAN

Grand Master Hunting Retriever Titles

ABBY GO LUCKY IV, LAB, F, 3/5/2002, LARRY WILLSON & FERN M. WILLSON; **BRISTOL HILLS MYSTIQUE**, LAB, F, 2/3/1999, MATTHEW R. & VICTORIA I. HASS; **IOWA RIVER GABBY**, LAB, F, 5/18/2004, TERRY HORA; **KENYA KILIMINJARO OF DAKOTA**, GOLDEN, F, 7/11/2003, DANIEL

HERSHBERGER & BRENDA HERSHBERGER; **MORNING SUN'S ADORATION**, LAB, F, 12/1/2002, KEVIN P. MCLAREN & WENDY G. MCLAREN; **RIVENDELLS MIDNIGHT TANSY**, LAB, F, 6/17/2001, PAUL POMMERENING & JANET POMMERENING; **SOUTH HILLS LITTLE BIG MAN**, LAB, M, 2/3/1999, GENE TAILLIE; **SOUTHWOODS HUNTERS DREAM**, LAB, M, 11/10/2001, DAVE

W. CANNINGS; **STARWONDER'S I SEE TONIGHT**, LAB, F, 6/5/2004, HOWIE BOYDA, MARILYN SHAW & BONNIE BOYDA; **TAKE IT IN STRIDE**, LAB, F, 7/11/2002, BARRY HOHMANN; **TTF CAS-HI NEVER TUCKER OUT**, LAB, M, 4/28/2003, DAVID COMBS; **VISTAS BLACK BEAUTY MAKENNA**, LAB, M, 4/7/2001, JOHN C. KINNARD

Test Results May - Aug

L = Labrador Retriever

G = Golden Retriever

C = Chesapeake Bay Retriever

F = Flat-Coated Retriever

CC = Curly-Coated Retriever

AWS = American Water Spaniel

IWS = Irish Water Spaniel

ESS = English Springer Spaniel

B = Boykin Spaniel

P = Poodle

BC = Border Collie

NSDTR = Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever

FTN = All other ineligible breeds; unregistered breeds

M = Male

F = Female

All events are single events unless designated.

**Shenandoah Valley Hunting Retriever Club
Weyers Cave, Virginia
May 19-20, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 15; Dogs Qualified: 7

Judges: Ted Givens & Cary Irvine
Major Jake XI, LM – Harry Ford; Branchwood Lady Godiva, LF – Marcie Baer; Lee's Old War Horse, LM – David Sours; Ressler's Lady Bess, LF – Bill Ressler; Mayhem's Life of the Party, CC/F – Mary Alice Hembree; Robnie's Ballecor at Glendair, LF – Kathleen Connor; Blue Ridge Paint It Black, LM – Gregory England

Started II

Dogs Entered: 13; Dogs Qualified: 11

Judges: Char Givens & Milt Johnston
QnB Storm Chaser, LF – Chris Schulz; Branchwood Lady Godiva, LF – Marcie Baer; Morning Sun's Constellation, LF – Michael O'Connor; Lee's Old War Horse, LM – David Sours; Branchwood Mammals Little Man, LM – Marcie Baer; Ressler's Lady Bess, LF – Bill Ressler; Mayhem's Life of the Party, CC/F – Mary Alice Hembree; Robnie's Ballecor at Glendair, LF – Kathleen Connor; Blue Ridge Paint It Black, LM – Gregory England; Morning Sun Liza, LF – Kaylee McLaren; Finn of Roan Inish, LM – Kathleen Connor

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 4; Dogs Qualified: 4

Judges: Char Givens & Milt Johnston
Ressler's Lady Bess, LF – Bill Ressler; SR Tyra the Black Diamond, LF – Mark Becker; SR Deep Run Roustabout Rowdy, LM – Michael & Lisa Vencille; Blue Ride Foothills Hunter, LM – Dan & Betty Schmidt

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 4; Dogs Qualified: 3

Judges: Ted Givens & Cary Irvine
Ressler's Lady Bess, LF – Bill Ressler; SR Deep Run Roustabout Rowdy, LM – Michael & Lisa Vencille; Blue Ride Foothills Hunter, LM – Dan & Betty Schmidt

**Western New York Retriever Club
Alabama, New York
May 19-20, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 9; Dogs Qualified: 8

Judges: Victor Krone & Margaret Rathje

Culandubh's Buck Ninety, LF – Peter Fargey; Drake's Bay Super Duty, LM – Sue & Chris Snow; Goldendreams Torch of Foxgold, GM – Yvonne Mangan; Rebeltoes Dizzie Lizzie, LF – Dave & Joan Hiltz; Greenvalley General's Mindy, LF – Mary Green; Bomber Top Gun, LM – David Pieczarka; Cold Creek's Splash's Moxie, CF – Michael & Christina Bard; Chief's Lady Chester of Gunsmoke, GM – Donald Dillon

Started II

Dogs Entered: 9; Dogs Qualified: 3

Judges: Stephen Harkness & Richard Mitchell
Culandubh's Buck Ninety, LF – Peter Fargey; Rebeltoes Dizzie Lizzie, LF – Dave & Joan Hiltz; Chief's Lady Chester of Gunsmoke, GM – Donald Dillon

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 10; Dogs Qualified: 7

Judges: Victor Krone & Margaret Rathje
SR Golden Hills Irish Mist, LF – Garland Shisler; TLC Bluemoon's Starlite, FM – Ed Miley; Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joseph Meade; SR Pine Acre's Dakota Sand Creek, LM – Chris & Sue Snow; SR Shasta Dancin Isadora Duncan, FF – Sandra Hitt; Scout's Ada Mae, GF – Todd Clickner; Hi Hopes Sir Loin of Angus, LM – Don Morgan

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 12; Dogs Qualified: 7

Judges: Stephen Harkness & Richard Mitchell
Rainbow Shore's Chica, LF – Maggie Rathje; SR Golden Hills Irish Mist, LF – Garland Shisler; SR Sir Jake Daniels Anytime, LM – Teri Hubler; Hi Hopes Sir Loin of Angus, LM – Don Morgan; Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joseph Meade; Scout's Ada Mae, GF – Todd Clickner; TLC Bluemoon's Starlite, FM – Ed Miley

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 12; Dogs Qualified: 4

Judges: Stephen Harkness & Richard Mitchell
MHR South Hills Little Big Man, LM – Gene Taillie; GMHR TTF Miss Belle of Deerfield, LF – Bruce & Kitty Jenkins; GMHR Fowl Weather's Carbon Copy, LM – Frank & Val Plewa; Hi Priority Lil of Dagwood, LF – Lynne Busch

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 16; Dogs Qualified: 9

Judges: Victor Krone & Margaret Rathje
GMHR Fowl Weather's Cornfield Commando, LM – Frank & Val Plewa; MHR Bristol Hills Mystique, LF – Vicky Hass; Dagwood's Morningstar Morgan, LF – Jeff Tegelaar; GMHR TTF Miss Belle of Deerfield, LF – Bruce & Kitty Jenkins; MHR South Hills Little Big Man, LM – Gene Taillie; Hi Priority Lil of Dagwood, LF – Lynne Busch; MHR TTF Cas-Hi Never Tucker Out, LM – David Combs; GMHR Fowl Weather's Carbon Copy, LM – Frank & Val Plewa; GMHR Windmere's Over the Top, LM – Dorothy Waldrep

Midwest Retriever Club

**Maxwell, Iowa
May 19-20, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 16; Dogs Qualified: 12

Judges: Greg Monroe & Troy Tillerass
Abbey Be, LF – Bob Beattie; Wapsi River's Upland Drake, LM – John & Beverly Taylor; Scott's Stealth Bomber Beau, LM – Scott Kimble; Scott's Razmataz of Bearpoint, LM – Scott Kimble; Stevens Sizzling Magnum Max, LM – Mark Stevens; Sad Day For De Ducks Sadie, BF – Kirk Rice; Dutch James Francisco, LM – Todd Francisco; Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob & Chris Riggs; Raccoon Rivers Smokin Coop, LM – Scott Kimble; Prairie Creek's Pit Boss, LM – Kathy Dietrich; Okoboji Game Farm's Doppler Radar, LM – Mike Anderson; Baier's Lady Gabrielle, LF – Fritz Baier

Started II

Dogs Entered: 10; Dogs Qualified: 7

Judges: Dan Tongen & Jim Lawless
Dutch James Francisco, LM – Todd Francisco; Sad Day For De Ducks Sadie, BF – Kirk Rice; Great Plains Who Can I Turn To, LF – Trapper Jahn; Great Plains Armed & Dangerous, LF – Trapper Jahn; Stevens Sizzling Magnum Max, LM – Mark Stevens; Okoboji Game Farm's Doppler Radar, LM – Mike Anderson; Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob & Chris Riggs

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 5; Dogs Qualified: 4

Judges: Bruce Mountain & Tom Murphy
Ram's Miss Sadie Hawkins, LF – Mark Willson; Baier's Mighty Waldimar, LM – Fritz Baier; Wen-Barr's Pocket Change, LF – John & Beverly Taylor; SR Shadowmyst Supertramp, LM – Jim & Julie Reeves

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 3

Judges: Greg Monroe & Dan Hove
Abbey Be, LF – Bob Beattie; Baier's Mighty Waldimar, LM – Fritz Baier; OGF Black Chrome, LF – Doug Dodge

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 13; Dogs Qualified: 4

Judges: Bruce Mountain & Tom Murphy
GMHR Midvale Acres Risen Belle, LF – Dan Hove; Ramers Instant Cash Machine, LM – Rob Ramer; DHC Is Zues On The Water, CM – Dan Cram; Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 8; Dogs Qualified: 4

Judges: Greg Monroe & Dan Hove
Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora; MHR Murphys Chevy Bel Air, LF – Tom & Caullie Murphy; MHR-WR-SR TNT Drifter's Blast of Kyanne, LF – Troy & Niki Tillerass; Kenya Kilimanjaro of Dakota Estates, GF – Dan Hershberger

Hunter

Dogs Entered: 1; Dogs Qualified: 1

Judges: Dan Tongen & Jim Lawless
Baier's Lady Gabrielle, LF – Fritz Baier

**Helena Valley Gun Dog Club
Helena, Montana
May 26-27, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 21; Dogs Qualified: 15

Judges: Loyd Rentfro & Judy Cornell

Winroc The Flying Cloud, LF – Vicky MacLean; Mighty Telkwa Tailout, LF – Keith Myott & Kathy Bakenberg; Glaindu's Montana Jewel, FM – Cheryl Palumbo; Rockin Roxie Does Ponds, LF – Randy & Rhonda Brown; Stoney Cosmics Cinder, LF – Paul Swenson; Katie Mae Taylor, LF – John Gilispie; McCurdy's Fine Fetch Fiddle, LM – Russell McCurdy; Big Ben Boomer of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls; North Country's Macy MacKenna, LF – Brad Mach; Midnight Ride at Fox Haven, LM – Terry & Laurie Scott; Tripp's Tekla, LF – Howard "Tripp" Hammer; Elkhorn's III Ultrasound, LM – Steve Babcock; One in a Maxamillion, LM – David & Roberta Spear; Jackson Creeks Dancing Jigs, LM – Chris Peccia; Dirk Digger, LM – Chris Redmond

Started II

Dogs Entered: 20; **Dogs Qualified:** 15
Judges: John Gilbert & Paul Pommerening
Mighty Telkwa Tailout, LF – Keith Myott & Kathy Bakenberg; Glaindu's Montana Jewel, FM – Cheryl Palumbo; Earl's Blackleaf Double, LF – Jeff & Judy Cornell; Rockin Roxie Does Ponds, LF – Randy & Rhonda Brown; Stoney Cosmics Cinder, LF – Paul Swenson; Mallardsway On Your Mark, CF – Danielle Miller & Dustin Moore; McCurdy's Fine Fetch Fiddle, LM – Russell McCurdy; Big Ben Boomer of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls; North Country's Macy MacKenna, LF – Brad Mach; Midnight Ride at Fox Haven, LM – Terry & Laurie Scott; Jeters Fowl Ball, LM – Justin & Lisa Noble; Elkhorn's III Ultrasound, LM – Steve Babcock; One in a Maxamillion, LM – David & Roberta Spear; Jackson Creeks Dancing Jigs, LM – Chris Peccia; Dirk Digger, LM – Chris Redmond

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 9; **Dogs Qualified:** 5
Judges: Loyd Rentfro & Judy Cornell
Elkhorn Mountain Molly Lu, LF – Ron Keeler; Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Dusty's Desert Storm, LM – Carl Strebe; Kodiak's Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Michael Hughes; Solo of Foxhaven, LM – Terry & Laurie Scott

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 10; **Dogs Qualified:** 6
Judges: John Gilbert & Paul Pommerening
SR Hells Canyon Hillbilly Jed, LM – Rick & Julie Latham; Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Kodiak's Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Michael Hughes; Big Mountain Molly, LF – Steve & Carolyn Cosby; Foxhaven's Witchy Woman, LF – Terry & Laurie Scott; Solo of Foxhaven, LM – Terry & Laurie Scott

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 10; **Dogs Qualified:** 3
Judges: John Gilbert & Paul Pommerening
Storm's Rippin Black Thunder, LM – Carl Strebe; Waterland's Nitro Charged Hurricane, LF – Bob & Sandi Boeh; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe, LF – Michael Hughes

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Loyd Rentfro & Bob Boeh
MHR Stillwater's True Blue, LM – Jeff & Judy Cornell; Storm's Rippin Black Thunder, LM – Carl Strebe; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe, LF – Michael Hughes; North Country's True Spirit, LF – Rick Steenhoven

Okoboji Retriever Club Spencer, Iowa June 2-3, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 13; **Dogs Qualified:** 8
Judges: Keith Stroyan & Terry Hora
Sad Day For DeDucks Sadie, BF – Kirk Rice; Okoboji Game Farm's Doppler Radar, LM – Mike Anderson; Rusty Northlands Bob, LM – Mary Theis-Strom; CPR Raccoon River's Smokin Coop, LM – Scott Kemble; Scotts Rasmataz of Bearpoint, LM – Scott Kemble; CPR Scotts Stealth Bomber Beau, LM – Scott Kemble; Wapsi River's Upland Drake, LM – John & Beverly Taylor; Blackhawk's Top Tucker, LM – Hunter Burke

Started II

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Chuck Lenze & Terry Strege
Okoboji Game Farm's Doppler Radar, LM – Mike Anderson; Wapsi River's Upland Drake, LM – John & Beverly Taylor; Blackhawk's Top Tucker, LM – Hunter Burke; T&JK's Jailbreak Black Jack, LM – Ted Kourousis

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Keith Stroyan & Terry Hora
WR-SR Cypress Knees Dakota Ram, LF – Andy Christoffer; SKM's Smokeless Powder, LM – Shane Metzger; Wen-Burr's Pocket Change, LF – John & Beverly Taylor; Mallory's White Bear, LF – Mary Reid

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 3
Judges: Chuck Lenze & Terry Strege
Mallory's White Bear, LF – Mary Reid; WR-SR Cypress Knees Dakota Ram, LF – Andy Christoffer; SKM's Smokeless Powder, LM – Shane Metzger

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 6; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Chuck Lenze & Dan Tongen
Strege's Strutting Blue Angel, LF – Terry Strege; Ramer's Instant Cash Machine, LM – Rob Ramer; MHR Game Cr. Waterway Just Plain Ol', AWS/M – Susan Liemohn, P. Boyer & L. Hattrem; GMHR Midvale Acres Risen Belle, LF – Dan & Patsy Hove

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 6
Judges: Keith Stroyan & Kirk Rice
Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora; OGF Black Chrome, LF – Douglas Dodge; GMHR Cedars Edge Raider's Mis Abby, LF – Dan Tongen; Ramer's Instant Cash Machine, LM – Rob Ramer; MHR Game Cr. Waterway Just Plain Ol', AWS/M – Susan Liemohn, P. Boyer & L. Hattrem; MHR Firestorm Belle's Amazing Grace, LF – Dan & Patsy Hove

Spokane Bird Dog Association Espanola, Washington June 2-3, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 10; **Dogs Qualified:** 10
Judges: Greg Doughty & Mike Hughes
Big Ben Boomer of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls; Last Act of Defiance, LF – Bob Trapp; Rianne's Baby Bink, LF – Rianne Welch & Brian Welch; Snake River's Dutch, LM – Greg Wellens; North Country's Blackwater Deke,

LM – Terry Hunt; Caerleon's Black Eyed Daisy, LF – R. Alan Black; Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert; Earl's Blackleaf Double, LF – Judy & Jeff Cornell; Awrey's Lil' Miss Sure Shot, GF – Kent & Debbie Walker; Rockin Rocksie Does Ponds, LF – Randy & Rhonda Brown

Started II

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Harry Williams & Kent Walker
North Country's Blackwater Deke, LM – Terry Hunt; Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert; Last Act of Defiance, LF – Bob Trapp; Big Ben Boomer of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls; Rianne's Baby Bink, LF – Rianne Welch & Brian Welch; Earl's Blackleaf Double, LF – Judy & Jeff Cornell; Caerleon's Black Eyed Daisy, LF – R. Alan Black

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 5
Judges: Greg Doughty & Mike Hughes
Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; SR Hells Canyon Hillbilly Jed, LM – Rick & Julie Latham; SR Gracy's Molly Dolly, LF – Paul Allen; SR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Rivendells Sunny Brooks, LM – Paul & Janet Pommerening

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 9; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Harry Williams & Kent Walker
Kodiak's Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Michael Hughes; SR Dusty's Desert Storm, LM – Carl Strebe; SR Brians 44 Magnum Monster, LM – Brian Welch; SR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; SR Taylors Autumn Gold, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; Rivendells Sunny Brooks, LM – Paul & Janet Pommerening; SR Hells Canyon Hillbilly Jed, LM – Rick & Julie Latham

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 23; **Dogs Qualified:** 10
Judges: Harry Williams & Carol Ramsay
MHR Firemarks Piece of Cake, GM – Mary Cole; GMHR Sunrise Over Killarney, LF – John Gilbert; WR Moonstone's Dinah Might, LF – Art & Robin Rourke; MHR Waterdog's Sweet Peaches, LF – Wally Kobeski; MHR Rivendells Midnight Tansy, LF – Paul & Janet Pommerening; MHR Vistas Black Beauty Makenna, LM – John Kinnard; MHR Stillwaters True Blue, LF – Jeff & Judy Cornell; MHR Starwonders I See Tonight, LF – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; MHR Starwonders I Wish I May, LM – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 21; **Dogs Qualified:** 12
Judges: Art Rourke & Bob Boeh
GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy; MHR Starwonders I See Tonight, LF – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; MHR Starwonders I Wish I May, LM – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; GMHR Armagh's Flirtacious Rylee, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; MHR Marshes Call Raging River, CM – Tim Lockard; GMHR Sunrise Over Killarney, LF – John Gilbert; MHR Stillwaters True Blue, LF – Jeff & Judy Cornell; MHR Waterdog's Sweet Peaches, LF – Wally Kobeski; WR North Country's True Spirit, LF – Rick & Robin Steenhoven; MHR Rivendells Midnight Tansy, LF – Paul & Janet

Pommerening; MHR Semper Choo Choo Ch'Boogie, GM – Ken Willson; Flack's Gina Go Girl, FTN/F – Carol Ramsay

Leatherstocking Hunting Retriever Association

**Baldwinsville, New York
June 2-3, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 15; **Dogs Qualified:** 11
Judges: John Fincher & Dave Hilts
Hardlabors Here Comes Tucker, LM – Pat Van Bregt & Chris Bayles; Cold Creek's Splash's Moxie, CF – Mike & Christina Bard; Silverbrooks Cool Hand Luke, LM – Mike Morris; Bomber Top Gun, LM – Dave Pieczarka; Eslana's Lady Amy of Sunhillow, GF – Linda Bryerton; B-Line's Supernova, LF – Pat Van Bregt & Chris Bayles; Grousemoor Frozen in Time, FM – Linda Brox & Helen Szostak; Wine Country Rollin Rock, AWS/M – Gerda & Grover Smith; Kreslands Walk the Line Diesel, LM – Dave Klotz; Windrow's Duck's in a Row, GM – Mary Barrett; Greenvalley General's Mindy, LF – Mary Green

Started II

Dogs Entered: 15; **Dogs Qualified:** 10
Judges: Frank Plewa & Vicki Hass
Hardlabors Here Comes Tucker, LM – Pat Van Bregt & Chris Bayles; Cold Creek's Splash's Moxie, CF – Mike & Christina Bard; Silverbrooks Cool Hand Luke, LM – Mike Morris; Bomber Top Gun, LM – Dave Pieczarka; Eslana's Lady Amy of Sunhillow, GF – Linda Bryerton; B-Line's Supernova, LF – Pat Van Bregt & Chris Bayles; Kreslands Walk the Line Diesel, LM – Dave Klotz; Windrow's Duck's in a Row, GM – Mary Barrett; Greenvalley General's Mindy, LF – Mary Green; Rebeltoes Dizzie Lizzie, LF – David & Joan Hilts

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Frank Plewa & Vicki Hass
Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joe Meade

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: John Fincher & Dave Hilts
Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joe Meade

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 19; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Wayne Goodrich & Rick Irick
GMHR Silverbrooks Ravin Rebel, LF – Jeff Riebling; GMHR Magnificent Miss Molly May, LF – Dave Combs; GMHR Wingshots TNT Ms. Tique, LF – Tom Rourke; MHR South Hills Little Big Man, LM – Gene Taillie; Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joe Meade; GMHR Screamin Lady Windjammer, LF – Michele Rapp; GMHR Fowl Weather's Carbon Copy, LM – Frank & Val Plewa

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 19; **Dogs Qualified:** 12
Judges: Michele Rapp & Steve Harkness
GMHR Windmere's Over The Top, LM – Dotty Waldrep; GMHR Silverbrooks Ravin Rebel, LF – Jeff Riebling; GMHR Silverbrooks P.J.'s Prince Toby, LM – Scott Leonescu; GMHR Magnificent Miss Molly May, LF – Dave Combs; MHR Bristol Hills Mystique, LF –

Vicky Hass; MHR TTF Cas-Hi Never Tucker Out, LM – Dave Combs; GMHR Susquehanna Fowl Weather Decoy, LM – Dave Henderson; MHR Take It In Stride, LF – Barry Hohmann; MHR South Hills Little Big Man, LM – Gene Taillie; GMHR Cannon's Cody Girl, LF – Carl Rathje; Winfields Abby Rose, LF – Paul & Kathy Turner; GMHR Fowl Weather's Carbon Copy, LM – Frank & Val Plewa

Club du chien Rapporteur de la Mauricie Becancour, Quebec, Canada

June 2, 2007

Started

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Andy Mikolaiczky & Chris Smith
Chablais Benjamin, LM – Jean-Francois Gauthier; Miron Buddy, LM – Dany Filteau; Altiquin Gabri, LF – Ginette Boyer; Rosie Mac, LF – Jeremy Levett; Moka, LM – Jean Guilbault; Tidex Scott, LM – Marc Poulin; Tally Ho Tripper, LF – Jeremy Harmon

Intermediate

Dogs Entered: 1; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Andy Mikolaiczky & Chris Smith
WR-SR Fantastique Douce, LF – Andre Dupont

Hunter

Dogs Entered: 3; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Andy Mikolaiczky & Chris Smith
Rosie Mac, LF – Jeremy Levett; Tally Ho Tripper, LF – Jeremy Harmon

RAW / NAHRA Invitational Newville, Pennsylvania

June 13-17, 2007

Senior

Dogs Entered: 51; **Dogs Qualified:** 39
Judges: Ted Givens, Dan Hove & Sonny Zaun
GMHR-WR-SR Raven's Smokin' Cinder, LM – Bill Whiteford; GMHR-WR Magnificent Miss Molly May, LF – David Combs; GMHR Indian Creek Ajax, LM – Milton Johnston; MHR-WR Astraglen Wild Thing, LF – Jon Vernam; GMHR-WR Wingshot's TNT Ms. Tique, LF – Tom Rourke; GMHRCH Silverbrook's Rockin' Raven, LF – Bill Whiteford; MHR-WR-SR TNT Drifter's Blast of Kyanne, LF – Troy Tillerias & Niki Tillerias; MHR Morning Sun Adoration, LF – Kevin & Wendy McLaren; MHR Irvine's Morning Sun Madison, LF – Cary Irvine; GMHR Oz's Hidden Surprise, LF – Phyllis Giroux, DVM & Jim VanderGiessen; MHR Kerrybrook's III, LM – Fred Perini; MHR-WR HPK's Hi-Brass Toby, LM – Jim Langa; GMHR-WR-SR Raven's I Jump For Joy, LF – Bill Whiteford; MHR Tecumseh's Oakwood Champaign, LM – Tom & Rachel Perkins; GMHR Cedars Edge Raider's MIS Abby, LF – Dan Tongen; GMHR Silverbrook's Ravin Rebel, LF – Jeff Riebling; MHR Kenya Kilimanjaro of Dakota Estates, GF – Daniel Hershberger; MHR Little Miss Molly Brown VII, LF – Roger Moore; GMHRCH Magic's TNT Explosion of Winton, LF – Richard & Martha Winton; GMHR Silverbrook Amazing Sparkleboy, LM – David Venne & Tracy Steuve; GMHRCH Fowl Weather's Token Trouble, LM – Francis & Valerie Plewa; MHR Diamond Brook's Lucky Chance, LM – Wayne & Dale Goodrich; MHR Silverbrook's Jazzin' Jersey Girl, LF – Scott & Christine Leonescu;

GMHR KCK Rocket Girl, LF – Patricia Jagoda; GMHR Fowl Weather's Carbon Copy, LM – Francis & Valerie Plewa; GMHR Raven's Midnight Madness, LF – John & Kathryn Cowbeck; MHR-WR Wildcat's May Be Able, LF – Tom & Karen Johnston; GMHR Silverbrooks P.J.'s Prince Toby, LM – Scott & Christine Leonescu; MHR Silverbrook Gunar's Yellow Merkin, LM – Victoria Pepper & Larry Housman; GMHR TTF Miss Belle of Deerfield, LF – Bruce & Kitty Jenkins; GMHR St. Clair's Heart Ann Soul, LF – William St. Clair; GMHR Sir Diesel Tank Schiller, LM – Jefferson & Kimberly Schiller; GMHR Silverbrooks Starlight Madness, LF – Patricia Jagoda; GMHR Susquehanna's Fowl Weather Decoy, LM – Dave Henderson; GMHR Fowl Weather's Cornfield Commando, LM – Francis & Valerie Plewa; GMHR First Lite's Let-R-Rip, LF – Patricia Jagoda; GMHRCH Northern Flights Mist on the Water, CF – Debra Brennan; GMHR Granny's Fowl Weather Gadget, LF – Francis & Valerie Plewa; GMHR Silverbrook's Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy

Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association Point McKenzie, Alaska

June 23-24, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 20; **Dogs Qualified:** 13
Judges: Mike Walsh & Greg Monroe
Wetland's Behr Goggen, LM – Alicia Fields; Marks Fuddy Duddy I Aint Yellow, LM – Marcus Isbill; Cosmo's Faithful Bailey, LF – Casey Volk; Greatland's Hot To Go Mojo, LM – Jan & Bud Bass; Lady Eva Belle, LF – Donald Ridge; Shannon's Alaskan Bella, LF – Zoelea Vey; Prairie Grass Molly, LF – John Alexander; Kenai's Blondie Twist and Shout, LF – Daryl Kellum; Eagle Rivers Sexi Lexi Coco Nut, LF – Keith Rackley; Chesaka Zoe Bear, CF – Mary Pemberton; Ptarmigan's Devil in Me Bud, ESS/M – Ronald Lindsey; Wetlands Bugs Bunny, LF – Baron Rea; Chugach Huntum Up Sadie, LF – Cindy Estes

Started II

Dogs Entered: 20; **Dogs Qualified:** 5
Judges: Rick Steenhoven & Jim Sheridan
Cosmo's Faithful Bailey, LF – Casey Volk; Kenai's Blondie Twist and Shout, LF – Daryl Kellum; Wetlands Bugs Bunny, LF – Baron Rea; Eagle Rivers Sexi Lexi Coco Nut, LF – Keith Rackley; Marks Fuddy Duddy I Aint Yellow, LM – Marcus Isbill

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 4; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Mike Walsh & Greg Monroe
Classico's Koda, LM – Carol McWhorter; Gustafer Off Laika Rocket, LM – Kim & Dwight Dial

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 4; **Dogs Qualified:** 0
Judges: Rick Steenhoven & Jim Sheridan

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Richard Voth & Rick Steenhoven
Greatland's Flash of Brilliance, LM – Randy Smith; GMHR-WR Magic's Smokin' TNT Explosion, LM – John & Susie Johnson; Tundra's Jumpin' Jack Flash, LM – Dwight & Kim Dial; Kali's AddaGirl, LF – Kody Bull

Senior II**Dogs Entered: 7; Dogs Qualified: 2**

Judges: John Johnson & Greg Monroe
Greatland's Flash of Brilliance, LM – Randy Smith; Kali's AddaGirl, LF – Kody Bull

**Big Sky Hunting Retriever Club
Ronan, Montana**

June 23-24, 2007

Started I**Dogs Entered: 19; Dogs Qualified: 15**

Judges: Art Rourke & John Goode
Mighty Telkwa Tailout, LF – Keith Myott & Cathy Bakeberg; Laranie's Raven Kota of Armagh, LF – Larry & Stephanie White; Midnight Ride at Foxhaven, LM – Terrance & Laurie Scott; One in a Maxamillion, LM – David & Roberta Speer; Jackson Creek's Dancing Jigs, LM – Chris Peccia; Dirk Diggler, LM – Chris Redmond & Sam Klepzig; Gracie May of St. Carolina, LF – Gerald Runke; Killarneys Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert; Jeters Fowl Ball, LM – Lisa Noble & Justin Noble; Ace in the Hole, LM – Chad Grover; North Country's Blackwater Deke, LM – Terry Hunt; McCurdy Fine Fetch Fiddle, LM – Russell McCurdy; Triple R Garretts Misty Dawn, LF – Roy & Linda Radabah; Jazztime Smoke'n Ace, LM – Steve & Vikki Dennison; Montanas Rowdy Rudy, LM – Doug Rowden

Started II**Dogs Entered: 18; Dogs Qualified: 17**

Judges: Ted Snodgrass & Jeff Smith
Killarneys Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert; Montanas Rowdy Rudy, LM – Doug Rowden; Jeters Fowl Ball, LM – Lisa Noble & Justin Noble; McCurdy Fine Fetch Fiddle, LM – Russell McCurdy; North Country's Blackwater Deke, LM – Terry Hunt; Ace in the Hole, LM – Chad Grover; Triple R Garretts Misty Dawn, LF – Roy & Linda Radabah; Dirk Diggler, LM – Chris Redmond & Sam Klepzig; Midnight Ride at Foxhaven, LM – Terrance & Laurie Scott; Jackson Creek's Dancing Jigs, LM – Chris Peccia; Winroc The Flying Cloud, LF – Vicky MacLean; Laranie's Raven Kota of Armagh, LF – Larry & Stephanie White; Tiger MTN Changes Rock It, LM – Dennis & Tammy Beams; Mighty Telkwa Tailout, LF – Keith Myott & Cathy Bakeberg; Gracie May of St. Carolina, LF – Gerald Runke; SR Earl's Blackleaf Double, LF – Jeff & Judy Cornell; Montana Jack's Cooper Roo, LF – Jack White

Intermediate I**Dogs Entered: 19; Dogs Qualified: 11**

Judges: Art Rourke & John Goode
Rivendells Sunny Brooks, LM – Paul & Janet Pommerening; KCK Doin the Locomotion, LF – Karen Duty; Tayler's Autumn Gold, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; WR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Wingbuster's Easy Rider, LM – Aaron Robinson; Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; SR Hells Canyon Hillbilly Jed, LM – Rick & Julie Latham; Foxhaven's Witchy Woman, LF – Terrance & Laurie Scott; Bangaway Blue Jasmine, LF – Hubert Nelson; Solo of Foxhaven, LM – Terrance & Laurie Scott; Things That Are Red For 500, GM – John Robinson & Cheryl Talley

Intermediate II**Dogs Entered: 19; Dogs Qualified: 8**

Judges: Ted Snodgrass & Jeff Smith

WR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; Titanics Truce Cool Under Pressure, LF – Justin & Lisa Noble; KCK Doin the Locomotion, LF – Karen Duty; Foxhaven's Witchy Woman, LF – Terrance & Laurie Scott; Rivendells Sunny Brooks, LM – Paul & Janet Pommerening; Solo of Foxhaven, LM – Terrance & Laurie Scott; One in a Maxamillion, LM – David & Roberta Speer

Senior I**Dogs Entered: 18; Dogs Qualified: 11**

Judges: Ted Snodgrass & Jeff Smith
WR Starwonder's I Wish I May, LM – Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; MHR Stillwater's True Blue, LM – Jeff & Judy Cornell; WR Wildfire Sundance Sacajawea, GF – Loyd Rentfro; GMHR Sunrise Over Killarney, LF – John Gilbert; Nitros T-Exas Flash of Hi-Water, LF – Roy & Linda Radabah; WR Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF – Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; Topbrass New Millennium, GM – John Robinson & Cheryl Talley; Waterdog's Sweet Peaches, LF – Walter & Virginia Kobeski; Armagh's Flirtacious Rylee, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; WR My Uncle Bud, LM – Steve & Vikki Dennison; MHR Revilo Maya Springtime Delight, LF – Darcy & Wendy Brunos

Senior II**Dogs Entered: 18; Dogs Qualified: 5**

Judges: Darcy Brunos & Carol Ramsay
MHR-WR-SR Utopias Tapo II From Simi, LM – Ed & Karen Foster; WR Semper Choo Choo Ch' Boogie, GM – Ken Willson; WR Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF – Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; Armagh's Flirtacious Rylee, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; Waterdog's Sweet Peaches, LF – Walter & Virginia Kobeski

**Four Points Retriever Club
Marine on St. Croix, Minnesota
July 6-8, 2007**

Started I**Dogs Entered: 13; Dogs Qualified: 10**

Judges: Dan Tongen & Terry Strege
Mallory's White Bear, LF – Mary Reid; Madsen's Midnight Skye, LF – Mark Madsen; Flying B's Top Gunner, LM – George Billiar; GMHR-I TNT Drifter's Blast of Kyanne, LF – Troy & Niki Tillerias; Red Windsor, LM – Steve & Kate O'Tool; Left Wingmaster Kaos, LM – Allen Weis; Red Cedar Twist of Fate Zorro, LM – Mark Madsen; Knightfires Big Bore Thor, LM – Layne Otteson; Sad Day for De Ducks Sadie, BF – Kirk Rice; T's Black Cinder of Winton, LF – Richard & Martha Winton

Started II**Dogs Entered: 14; Dogs Qualified: 7**

Judges: Rich Hawthorne & Ben Vallin
Knightfires Big Bore Thor, LM – Layne Otteson; Mallory's White Bear, LF – Mary Reid; Flying B's Top Gunner, LM – George Billiar; Left Wingmaster Kaos, LM – Allen Weis; Turkey Creeks Blazingstar, LF – Bill & Deb Beck; Sad Day for De Ducks Sadie, BF – Kirk Rice; Erin's Edge Burntside Riptide, LM – John Kirkman

Started III**Dogs Entered: 5; Dogs Qualified: 3**

Judges: Larry Willson & Mike Muench
T's Black Cinder of Winton, LF – Richard & Martha Winton; Turkey Creeks Blazingstar, LF – Bill & Deb Beck; Hass Co-Co, LF – John Florek

Intermediate I**Dogs Entered: 9; Dogs Qualified: 8**

Judges: Dan Tongen & Terry Strege
SR Sir Rebel Jake of Eagle Ridge, LM – John Hoffmann; SR APR Tub's Diamond in the Ruff, LM – Troy Callanan; Uplands Darklight Midnight, LF – Tom & Jane Toleno; Abbey Be, LF – Bob Beattie; Cedar Field Blazing Tucker, LM – Darin Westphal; Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob Riggs; Sauk Rivers Carlin's Sage, LF – Joe Carlin; SR Moon Me Charlie of Eagle Ridge, LM – John Hoffmann

Intermediate II**Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 2**

Judges: Rich Hawthorne & Ben Vallin
SR APR Tub's Diamond in the Ruff, LM – Troy Callanan; SR Sir Rebel Jake of Eagle Ridge, LM – John Hoffmann

Intermediate III**Dogs Entered: 9; Dogs Qualified: 6**

Judges: Larry Willson & Mike Muench
Mallory's White Bear, LF – Mary Reid; Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob Riggs; SR Moon Me Charlie of Eagle Ridge, LM – John Hoffmann; SR APR Tub's Diamond in the Ruff, LM – Troy Callanan; SR Sir Rebel Jake of Eagle Ridge, LM – John Hoffmann; Sauk Rivers Carlin's Sage, LF – Joe Carlin

Senior I**Dogs Entered: 19; Dogs Qualified: 8**

Judges: Ben Vallin & Travis Lund
Kenya Kilimanjaro of Dakota Estates, GF – Dan Hershberger; GMHR Midvale Acres Risen Belle, LF – Dan Hove; Ramers Instant Cash Machine, LM – Rob Ramer; MHR Abby Go Lucky IV, LF – Larry Willson; GMHR-I WR SR TNT Drifter's Blast of Kyanne, LF – Troy & Niki Tillerias; OGF Black Chrome, LF – Douglas Dodge; Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora; GMHR Holzingers Chai Latte, LF – Dinah Harlow

Senior II**Dogs Entered: 18; Dogs Qualified: 8**

Judges: Dan Hove & Mike Muench
Dr Jodies Haley Abby Jane, LF – Mike Schmolli; Worth-It Shohola Zeke, LM – Keith Stroyan; GMHR Cedars Edge Raiders Mis Abby, LF – Dan Tongen; WR Frisbies BeBop Bird Parker, GM – Gordon Schlichting II; Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora; OGF Black Chrome, LF – Douglas Dodge; MHR-WR-SR TNT Bailey's Dynamite Drake, LM – Troy Tillerias; GMHR Dakota Skys Carolina Ember, LF – Jason Skyberg

Senior III**Dogs Entered: 13; Dogs Qualified: 6**

Judges: Jason Skyberg & Rich Hawthorne
Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora; WR Frisbies BeBop Bird Parker, GM – Gordon Schlichting II; WR-SR Frisbie's All Terrain Tyson, GM – Steve Kuyper; Ramers Instant Cash Machine, LM – Rob Ramer; GMHR-I WR SR TNT Drifter's Blast of Kyanne, LF – Troy & Niki Tillerias; Worth-It Shohola Zeke, LM – Keith Stroyan

Puget Sound Retriever Club

Dewatto, Washington
July 6-8, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 7; Dogs Qualified: 5
Judges: Harry Williams & Kent Walker
 B.B.B. Wilbur, LM – Jim & Kristine Hunt; CPR
 Tiger Mt. Misty Fjord Sunrise, LF – Gale
 Culbert & Lori Kilmer; Lil O's Goofyfooter, LM
 – Dean Olsen; Cotton Pick'n Dreamer, LM –
 Frances Harvey; Kyro Princess Yager, LF –
 Jeffery Fowler

Started II

Dogs Entered: 7; Dogs Qualified: 7
Judges: Laura Kinney & Michael Hughes
 Cotton Pick'n Dreamer, LM – Frances Harvey;
 Lil O's Goofyfooter, LM – Dean Olsen;
 Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert;
 Quail Crest's Makana, LF – Pat Wightman
 Johnson & Rogers Johnson; Big Ben Boomer
 of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls; The
 Sagacious Wild Thing, LM – Harry Williams;
 CPR Tiger Mt. Misty Fjord Sunrise, LF – Gale
 Culbert & Lori Kilmer

Started III

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 5
Judges: Tim Lockard & Paul Pommerening
 Quail Crest's Makana, LF – Pat Wightman
 Johnson & Rogers Johnson; Lil O's
 Goofyfooter, LM – Dean Olsen; Big Ben
 Boomer of Black Forest, LM – Brian Ingalls;
 Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert;
 CPR Tiger Mt. Misty Fjord Sunrise, LF – Gale
 Culbert & Lori Kilmer

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 1; Dogs Qualified: 1
Judges: Harry Williams & Kent Walker
 Rivendells SunnyBrooks, LM – Paul & Janet
 Pommerening

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 2; Dogs Qualified: 0
Judges: Laura Kinney & Michael Hughes

Intermediate III

Dogs Entered: 4; Dogs Qualified: 1
Judges: Tim Lockard & Paul Pommerening
 Kodiaks Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Michael
 Hughes

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 4
Judges: Michael Hughes & Laura Kinney
 Trieven's Arrowhead Express, LF – Don
 Benson; Rascal's Sage Creek, LF – Pat
 Wightman Johnson & Rogers Johnson; CCR
 Up A Creek and Paddle N, LF – Trig & Angela
 Birkeland; GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn
 Gold, LF – Jim Tracy

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 11; Dogs Qualified: 8
Judges: Paul Pommerening & Tim Lockard
 GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF –
 Jim Tracy; MHR Waterdog's Sweet Peaches
 QAA, LF – Walter & Virginia Kobeski; GMHR
 Wishful Thinking, LF – Harry Williams;
 Rascal's Sage Creek, LF – Pat Wightman
 Johnson & Rogers Johnson; North Country's
 True Spirit, LF – Rick Steenhoven; Trieven's
 Arrowhead Express, LF – Don Benson; CCR
 Up A Creek and Paddle N, LF – Trig & Angela
 Birkeland; Aurey Semper Deuce Redcloud,
 GM – Kent & Debbie Walker

Senior III

Dogs Entered: 8; Dogs Qualified: 4
Judges: Harry Williams & Kent Walker
 GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF –
 Jim Tracy; GMHR Sunrise Over Killarney, LF –
 John Gilbert; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe,
 LF – Mike Hughes; Rascal's Sage Creek, LF –
 Pat Wightman Johnson & Rogers Johnson

Horseshoe Hunting Retriever Club
Cambridge, Ontario, Canada
July 7-8, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 22; Dogs Qualified: 18
Judges: Dave Combs & Andy Mikolaiczky
 B-Line's Supernova, LF – Patricia VanBregt &
 Chris Bayles; Castlegar Marlo at Autumwynd,
 LF – Marie Babin; Castlegar Elliot, LM –
 Maryke Warwick; Chablais Benjamin, LM –
 Jean-Francois Gauthier; Treasurehunt's
 Electric Trill, LF – Margaret Masanotti;
 Autumwynd Midnite N. Jorja, LF – Marie
 Babin; Hardlabor's Here Comes Tucker, LM –
 Patricia VanBregt & Chris Bayles; Beaushiloh
 Let It Be Romeo, GM – Pauline Norman;
 Autumwynd Harvest Knight, LM – Maryke
 Warwick; Tidex Scott, LM – Marc Poulin;
 Grousemoor Frozen In Time, FM – Linda Brox
 & Helen Szostak; Tataridges's Ring Neck
 Rustler, ESS/M – Bob Raynard; Windrow's
 Ducks In A Row, GM – Mary Barrett; Eslana's
 Lady Amy of Sunhillow, GF – Linda Bryerton;
 Chiefs Lady Chester of Gunsmoke, GM –
 Donald Dillon II; Cawarra's Gentle Ben, LM –
 Diane Kendall; Morninglo Lightning Strikes,
 GM – Gail & Joseph Bourgeois; Kiowa's Chief
 Medicine Man, GM – Darin Clark

Started II

Dogs Entered: 24; Dogs Qualified: 20
Judges: John Fincher & Chris Smith
 B-Line's Supernova, LF – Patricia VanBregt &
 Chris Bayles; Castlegar Marlo at Autumwynd,
 LF – Marie Babin; Castlegar Elliot, LM –
 Maryke Warwick; Chablais Benjamin, LM –
 Jean-Francois Gauthier; Treasurehunt's
 Electric Trill, LF – Margaret Masanotti;
 Autumwynd Midnite N. Jorja, LF – Marie
 Babin; Hardlabor's Here Comes Tucker, LM –
 Patricia VanBregt & Chris Bayles; Beaushiloh
 Let It Be Romeo, GM – Pauline Norman;
 Autumwynd Harvest Knight, LM – Maryke
 Warwick; Tidex Scott, LM – Marc Poulin;
 Grousemoor Frozen In Time, FM – Linda Brox
 & Helen Szostak; Windrow's Ducks In A Row,
 GM – Mary Barrett; Eslana's Lady Amy of
 Sunhillow, GF – Linda Bryerton; Chiefs Lady
 Chester of Gunsmoke, GM – Donald Dillon II;
 Cawarra's Gentle Ben, LM – Diane Kendall;
 Morninglo Lightning Strikes, GM – Gail &
 Joseph Bourgeois; Bristol Hills Maximum
 Performance, LM – Mike Hass; Berdia's
 Happy Anniversary, NSDTR/F – George
 Townsend; Metras Lil Blackie, LM – Mary Lynn
 Metras; Kiowa's Chief Medicine Man, GM –
 Darin Clark

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 4; Dogs Qualified: 3
Judges: John Fincher & Chris Smith
 Kanza Midnite Train To Georgia, GF – David
 Boothman; SR Pine Acres's Dakota Sand
 Creek, LM – Chris & Sue Snow; Beaushiloh
 Let It Be Romeo, GM – Pauline Norman

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 5
Judges: Dave Combs & Andy Mikolaiczky
 Kanza Midnite Train To Georgia, GF – David
 Boothman; Castlehill's Playing the Field, IWS/
 F – Margo Nielson; Beaushiloh Let It Be
 Romeo, GM – Pauline Norman;
 Goldendreams Quirk Pickr Upper, GF – David
 Simm; Goldendreams Boo O'Snowyriver, GM
 – Cindy Trann

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 4
Judges: John Fincher & Chris Smith
 GMHR TTF Cas-Hi Never Tucker Out, LM –
 David Combs; WR Deep Run Sir Drake of
 Gateway, LM – Joseph Meade; MHR Bristol
 Hills Mystique, LF – Vicky Hass; MHR Take It
 In Stride, LF – Barry Hohmann

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 6; Dogs Qualified: 3
Judges: Dave Combs & Andy Mikolaiczky
 WR Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM –
 Joseph Meade; Starky Moonraker Three, LM
 – Robert Stark; MHR Take It In Stride, LF –
 Barry Hohmann

Wild Rose Hunting Retriever Club
Irricana, Alberta, Canada
July 14-16, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 15; Dogs Qualified: 7
Judges: Gary Willis & Aaron Robinson
 Roadwarrior's Lady Hawk, LF – Lois Aitken;
 HeritageWest's Kaley Reloaded, LF – Barry
 Cymbaluk; Tia Maria and Jack, LF – John
 Gardiner; Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John
 Gilbert; HeritageWest's Diesel Boss, LM –
 Jason Hayes; Montana's Rowdy Rudy, LM –
 Douglas Rowden; Beef Bark's Chewed Shoe,
 LF – Roger & Shannon Wilkins

Started II

Dogs Entered: 14; Dogs Qualified: 8
Judges: Gary Erickson & Bill Marshall
 HeritageWest's Kaley Reloaded, LF – Barry
 Cymbaluk; Mallardsway Bull Dozer, CM –
 Danielle Miller & Dustin Moore; Tia Maria and
 Jack, LF – John Gardiner; Beef Bark's
 Chewed Shoe, LF – Roger & Shannon Wilkins;
 Breeze's Northern Storm, LM – Jim Nichols;
 Killarney's Little Fireball, LF – John Gilbert;
 Roadwarrior's Lady Hawk, LF – Lois Aitken;
 Kyme Evias, LF – Jim Karamouzis

Started III

Dogs Entered: 11; Dogs Qualified: 5
Judges: Howie Boyda & Jim Nichols
 Montana Jacks Cooper Roo, LM – Jack White;
 HeritageWest's Diesel Boss, LM – Jason
 Hayes; Mallardsway On Your Mark, CF –
 Danielle Miller & Dustin Moore; Montana's
 Rowdy Rudy, LM – Douglas Rowden; Tia
 Maria and Jack, LF – John Gardiner

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 7; Dogs Qualified: 3
Judges: Gary Willis & Aaron Robinson
 BJ Bramble Sascha Belle Navaho, GF – Greg
 Drew & Brenda Drew; Fry Creek Boomer's
 Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; Revilo's
 Peawilliker Pie, LF – Morgan Kelley

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 7; Dogs Qualified: 1
Judges: Gary Erickson & Bill Marshall
 Revilo's Peawilliker Pie, LF – Morgan Kelley

Intermediate III

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Howie Boyda & Jim Nichols
 Gracy's Molly Dolly, LF – Paul Allen

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 16; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Gary Erickson & Bill Marshall
 Wingbuster's Indecent Proposal, LF – Lois Aitken; Starwonder's I Wish I May, LM – Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; Revilo's Maya Springtime Delight, LF – Darcy Brunet & Wendy Brunet; Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF - Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; Wingbuster's Eli, LF – Ivan Muzik; Utopias Tapo II From Simi, LM – Ed & Karen Foster; Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 17; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Dave Cannings & Brian Ness
 Revilo's Maya Springtime Delight, LF – Darcy Brunet & Wendy Brunet; Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF - Howie Boyda, Marilyn Shaw & Bonnie Boyda; Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy; Firemark's Piece of Cake, GM – Mary Cole; Wingbuster's Indecent Proposal, LF – Lois Aitken; Semper Choo Choo Ch'Boogie, GM – Ken Willson; Harley One, LM – Randy Treasure

Senior III

Dogs Entered: 11; **Dogs Qualified:** 5
Judges: Darcy Brunet & Steve Fox
 Semper Choo Choo Ch'Boogie, GM – Ken Willson; Utopias Tapo II From Simi, LM – Ed & Karen Foster; Southwood's Hunters Dream, LM – Dave Cannings; Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy; Firemark's Piece of Cake, GM – Mary Cole

Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association
Turnagain Pass, Alaska
July 21-22, 2007

Started I

Dogs Entered: 19; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Kent Bull & Tony Hunt
 Big Bend Cooper, GM – Patrick McKay; Wetlands Behr Doggen, LM – Bryen Bartgis; Ramblin's Jazzy Jewel, LF – Bob Maloney; Skye's Big Black Guy, LM – Joanne Hanscom; Wetlands Wildwood Red, CM – Baron Rea; Susitna's Tyone Teal, LF – Marty & Dawn Ring; Greatlands Hot To Go Mojo, LM – Jan & Bud Bass

Started II

Dogs Entered: 18; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Sherry Hoover & Duncan Purvis
 Wetlands Wildwood Red, CM – Baron Rea; Shannons Alaskan Bella, LF – Zoelea Vey; Susitna's Tyone Teal, LF – Marty & Dawn Ring; Big Bend Cooper, GM – Patrick McKay; Skye's Riverlane Tahitian Beauty, LF – Joanne Hanscom; Ramblin's Jazzy Jewel, LF – Bob Maloney; Chesaka Zoe Bear, CF – Mary Pemberton

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Kent Bull & Tony Hunt
 Ram's Sure Shot Winchester, LM – Willie & Marilyn Morris; Lazy Mountain Jake, CM – Jim Price

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 9; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Sherry Hoover & Duncan Purvis
 Gustafer Off Laika Rocket, LM – Dwight & Kim Dial

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 6; **Dogs Qualified:** 0
Judges: Dave Goggins & Dave Renkoski

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 6; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Tony Hunt & Tom Jennings
 Tundra's Jumpin Jack Flash, LM – Dwight & Kim Dial; Kali's Addagirl, LF – Kody Bull

Northwest Regional
Alberta Clipper Hunting Retriever
Association
Wabamun, Alberta, Canada
July 20-22, 2007

(Dogs In Bold Are Regional Qualifiers)**Started I**

Dogs Entered: 11; **Dogs Qualified:** 9
Judges: Steve Fox & Tom Wilkins
 Heritage West's Diesel Boss, LM – Jason Hayes; Peaeyed's Smokin' Diablo, LF – Gary Willis; Westpeake Winnie the Pooh, CF – Brian West; Roadwarrior's Lady Hawk, LF – Lois Aitken; Montana Jacks Cooper Roo, LM – Jack White; Tia Maria and Jack, LF – Jack Gardiner; Westpeake Freezers Riley, CF – Brian West; Breeze's Northern Storm, LM – Jim Nichols; Regina's Black Luster, LF – Adrienne Snyder

Started II

Dogs Entered: 16; **Dogs Qualified:** 15
Judges: Darcy Brunet & Craig Ratay
Taylor's Autumn Gold, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; Dusty's Desert Storm, LM – Carl Strebe; SR Brians 44 Magnum Monster, LM – Brian Welch; WR-SR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Kodiak's Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Mike Hughes; Rianne's Baby Bink, LF – Rianne Welch; Breeze's Northern Storm, LM – Jim Nichols; Heritage West's Diesel Boss, LM – Jason Hayes; Beefbark's Chewed Shoe, LM – Roger & Shannon Wilkins; Keely Joe, LF – Edna DeWinter; Peaeyed's Smokin' Diablo, LF – Gary Willis; Roadwarrior's Lady Hawk, LF – Lois Aitken; Tia Maria and Jack, LF – Jack Gardiner; Caltansis Crocodile Mic 10 Dee, NSDTR/M – Hugh Warren; Regina's Black Luster, LF – Adrienne Snyder

Started III

Dogs Entered: 14; **Dogs Qualified:** 11
Judges: Greg Doughty & Bill Marshall
 Tia Maria and Jack, LF – Jack Gardiner; Wingwater's Smoking Gold Ember, GF – Craig Ratay; Rianne's Baby Bink, LF – Rianne Welch; Peaeyed's Smokin' Diablo, LF – Gary Willis; Breeze's Northern Storm, LM – Jim Nichols; Westpeake Winnie the Pooh, CF – Brian West; Beefbark's Chewed Shoe, LM – Roger & Shannon Wilkins; Westpeake Freezers Riley, CF – Brian West; Montana Jacks Cooper Roo, LM – Jack White; Regina's Black Luster, LF – Adrienne Snyder; Killarney's Little Fire Ball, LF – John Gilbert

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 6; **Dogs Qualified:** 6
Judges: Steve Fox & Tom Wilkins

WR Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; Kodiak's Sweet Lucy Lou, LF – Mike Hughes; Revilo's Peawilliker Pie, LF – Morgan Kelley; Stoney Cosmics Cinder, LF – Paul Swenson; SR Brians 44 Magnum Monster, LM – Brian Welch; Gracy's Molly Dolly, LF – Paul Allen

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 3
Judges: Lionel Whittaker & Sharon Willis
WR Waterland's Nitro Charged Hurricane Holly, LF – Bob & Sandi Boeh; Revilo's Peawilliker Pie, LF – Morgan Kelley; WR Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp

Intermediate III

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 5
Judges: Greg Doughty & Bill Marshall
 SR Brians 44 Magnum Monster, LM – Brian Welch; Revilo's Peawilliker Pie, LF – Morgan Kelley; Stoney Cosmics Cinder, LF – Paul Swenson; WR Fry Creek Boomer's Drake, LM – Shawn Summerkamp; Gracy's Molly Dolly, LF – Paul Allen

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 20; **Dogs Qualified:** 13
Judges: John Gilbert & Jim Nichols
 WR Waterland's Nitro Charged Hurricane Holly, LF – Bob & Sandi Boeh; Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; GMHR Wingbusters Indecent Proposal, LF – Lois Aitken; Armagh's Flirtacious Rylee, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; WR-SR Midnight Raven Storm, LF – Barry Crose; Revilo's Maya Springtime Delight, LF – Darcy Brunet; Tayler's Autumn Gold, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; Fry Creek Bo's True Grit, LM – Paul Swenson; Southwoods Hunter's Dream, LM – Dave Cannings; Starwonder's I Wish I May, LM - Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; Harley One, LM – Randy Treasure; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe, LF – Mike Hughes; GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 22; **Dogs Qualified:** 18
Judges: Gary Willis & Murray Cowan
Starwonder's I See Tonight, LF – Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy; Rock Points Duke of Black Forest, LM – Jim & Renee McGlocklin; Harley One, LM – Randy Treasure; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe, LF – Mike Hughes; GMHR Remi's Northern Breeze, LF – Jim Nichols; GMHR Utopias Tapo II From Simi, LM – Ed & Karen Foster; GMHR Storm's Rippin' Black Thunder, LM – Carl Strebe; Starwonder's I Wish I May, LM - Howie & Bonnie Boyda & Marilyn Shaw; Armagh's Flirtacious Rylee, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty; GMHR Sunrise Over Killarney, LF – John Gilbert; GMHR Wingbusters Indecent Proposal, LF – Lois Aitken; Firemark's Piece of Cake, GM – Mary Cole; Dusty's Desert Storm, LM – Carl Strebe; **WR Semper Choo Choo Ch'Boogie, GM – Ken Wilson; Southwoods Hunter's Dream, LM – Dave Cannings; WR Waterland's Nitro Charged Hurricane Holly, LF – Bob & Sandi Boeh; Tayler's Autumn Gold, LF – Greg & Debra Doughty**

Senior III

Dogs Entered: 18; **Dogs Qualified:** 10
Judges: Lois Aitken & Howie Boyda
 Deanos Muddy Blues, LM – Ken Elder; GMHR Silverbrook Mag Autumn Gold, LF – Jim Tracy; WR Denmoney Black Eyed Kate, LF – Lionel Whittaker; GMHR TNT's Little Miss Chloe, LF – Mike Hughes; WR Waterland's Nitro Charged Hurricane Holly, LF – Bob & Sandi Boeh; Firemark's Piece of Cake, GM – Mary Cole; Rock Points Duke of Black Forest, LM – Jim & Renee McGlocklin; Dusty's Desert Storm, LM – Carl Strebe; WR Semper Choo Choo Ch'Boogie, GM – Ken Wilson; GMHR Remi's Northern Breeze, LF – Jim Nichols

**Skunk River Hunting Retriever Association
 Washington, Iowa
 August 4-5, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 12; **Dogs Qualified:** 9
Judges: Val Plewa & Terry Hora
 Jumpin Them Ducks Jada, LF – Keith Hass; Midnight Dancer Nikki, LF – Terry Noteboom; McFarland's Genuine Murphy Bel, LF – Darin & Sarah McFarland; McFarlandstylish Stellahayseed, LF – Darin & Sarah McFarland; Robins Ruby Sue, LF – Robin Heins; Hass Co-Co, LF – Keith Hass; Suzie, LF – Todd VanGorp; Shadowmyst Indigo Snow, LF – Julie McVay-Reeves; Labby VanGorp, LF – Christopher VanGorp

Started II

Dogs Entered: 10; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Frank Plewa & Tom Murphy
 McFarlandstylish Stellahayseed, LF – Darin & Sarah McFarland; Hass Co-Co, LF – Keith Hass; Robins Ruby Sue, LF – Robin Heins; Sure Shot's Fully Loaded, LM – Cory & Shawn Klehm; McFarland's Genuine Murphy Bel, LF – Darin & Sarah McFarland; Suzie, LF – Todd VanGorp; Midnight Dancer Nikki, LF – Terry Noteboom

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 9; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Val Plewa & Terry Hora
 North River's Stack of Chips, CM – Chuck & Elaine Lenze; Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob & Chris Riggs; Vermillion River Canis Major, LM – Larry & Fern Willson; Baier's Lady Gabrielle, LF – Fritz & Melissa Baier

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 9; **Dogs Qualified:** 3
Judges: Frank Plewa & Tom Murphy
 Goose Islands Outlaw Gunslinger, LF – Bob & Chris Riggs; McFarland's Precious Penelope, LF – Darin & Sarah McFarland; Vermillion River Canis Major, LM – Larry & Fern Willson

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 3
Judges: Frank Plewa & Tom Murphy
 OGF Black Chrome, LF – Douglas Dodge; MLTV Megan's Misty, LF – Larry Dusanek; MHR Firestorm Belle's Amazing Grace, LF – Dan & Patsy Hove

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 8; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Val Plewa & Bruce Mountain
 Zoe Jane Francisco, LF – Todd Francisco; Iowa River Gabby, LF – Terry Hora

Hunter I

Dogs Entered: 4; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Val Plewa & Terry Hora
 Sid XI, LM – Darin McFarland

Hunter II

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Val Plewa & Bruce Mountain
 Sid XI, LM – Darin McFarland; Shadowmyst Indigo Snow, LF – Julie McVay-Reeves

**Club du chien Rapporteur de la Mauricie
 Gentilly, Quebec, Canada
 August 4, 2007**

Started

Dogs Entered: 6; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Daniel Bolduc & Dany Filteau
 Tidex Scott, LM – Marc Poulin; Moka, LM – Jean Guilbault; Many, LF – Luc Boudreau; Chablais Benjamin, LM – Jean-Francois Gauthier

Intermediate

Dogs Entered: 2; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Daniel Bolduc & Dany Filteau
 WR-SR Fantastique Douce, LF – Andre Dupont

Hunter

Dogs Entered: 1; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Daniel Bolduc & Dany Filteau
 Rosie Mac, LF – Jeremy Levett

**Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association
 Sterling Hwy., Alaska
 August 4-5, 2007**

Started

Dogs Entered: 5; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Kody Bull & John Johnson
 Marks Fuddy Duddy I Ain't Yella, LM – Marcus Isbill; Gunsight Daisy Duke, LF – Randy Smith & Mike Fassler; Chesaka Zoe Bear, CF – Mary Pemberton; Yellow Gold Zoe of Birch Run, LF – Jack Ives

Intermediate

Dogs Entered: 4; **Dogs Qualified:** 1
Judges: Kody Bull & John Johnson
 Ram's Sure Shot Winchester, LM – Willie & Marilyn Morris

Senior

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 2
Judges: Gino DelFrate & Richard Voth
 Grtinds Flash of Brilliance, LM – Randy Smith; Tundra's Jumpin Jack Flash, LM – Dwight & Kim Dial

**Southwestern Pennsylvania Hunting
 Retriever Club
 Grove City, Pennsylvania
 August 4-5, 2007**

Started I

Dogs Entered: 30; **Dogs Qualified:** 23
Judges: Chris Snow & Jim Karr
 Bristol Hills Boughton Bennelli, LM – Bill Patterson; Bristol Hills Maximum Performance, LM – Mike Hass; Kiowa's Chief Medicine Man, GM – Darin Clark; Harborwyn Moon At My Window, GF – Lisa Powell; The Busses Thundering Jet, LM – William Brown & Mike Scharf; Bristol Hills Beams Black Magic, LM – Jim Wetzler; Sir Jet's Sunny Bud, LF – Frank Petro, Sr.; Bullpen's Say It Ain't So Joe, LF – Bo & Wendy Hanson; Iron Weed Boom Boom Butterfly, LF – Nancy Eisaman;

Ironweed Diamond In The Rough, LF – Nancy Eisaman; Morning Sun Contessa of Banco, LF – Bill & George Ann Birkhofer; Ironweed's Lady Abigal, LF – Dave & Georgina Koslosky; Misty Waters Outlaw Josie Wales, CF – Robin & Debbie Brennan; Willow Creek's Black Star Halle, LF – Ted & Char Givens; Autumnwynd Harvest Knight, LM – Maryke Warwick; Elihus Creek Tazmanian Twister, LM – Karen Deman; Autumnwynd Midnite N Jorja, LF – Marie Babin; Bomber Top Gun, LM – David Pieczarka; Rebeltoes Dizzie Lizzie, LF – David & Joan Hilts; Easy View Farms Fast Sammie, LF – Bill Montgomery; Seasalt's Springtime Shoals, LF – Gretchen Meyer; Abaco's Sourdough County Cork, LM – Eileen Seiger; Good-Going Mack II, LM – Walter Anderson

Started II

Dogs Entered: 29; **Dogs Qualified:** 17
Judges: Dave Hilts & Vic Krone
 Elihus Creek Tazmanian Twister, LM – Karen Deman; Zuzu's Petals of Cherry Grove, LF – Deb Banach & Ron Frey; The Busses Thundering Jet, LM – William Brown & Mike Scharf; Bristol Hills Maximum Performance, LM – Mike Hass; Bullpen's Say It Ain't So Joe, LF – Bo & Wendy Hanson; Bristol Hills Boughton Bennelli, LM – Bill Patterson; Castlegar Mario At Autumnwynd, LF – Marie Babin; Autumnwynd Midnite N Jorja, LF – Marie Babin; Kiowa's Chief Medicine Man, GM – Darin Clark; Iron Weed Boom Boom Butterfly, LF – Nancy Eisaman; Ironweed Diamond In The Rough, LF – Nancy Eisaman; Ironweed's Lady Abigal, LF – Dave & Georgina Koslosky; Misty Waters Outlaw Josie Wales, CF – Robin & Debbie Brennan; Willow Creek's Black Star Halle, LF – Ted & Char Givens; Autumnwynd Harvest Knight, LM – Maryke Warwick; Sir Jet's Sunny Bud, LF – Frank Petro, Sr.; Good-Going Mack II, LM – Walter Anderson

Intermediate I

Dogs Entered: 15; **Dogs Qualified:** 4
Judges: Dave Hilts & Vic Krone
 North Star's Deuce of Diamond, LM – Michael Tome; Blue Ridge Foothills Hunter, LM – Dan & Betty Schmidt; Ironweed Ramblin Ruby Redhot, LF – Nancy Eisaman; Ironweeds Indigo Gromet, LF – Darlene Koricich

Intermediate II

Dogs Entered: 15; **Dogs Qualified:** 7
Judges: Chris Snow & Jim Karr
 Ironweed Ramblin Ruby Redhot, LF – Nancy Eisaman; Boss's King of the Hill, LM – Greg Schultheis; Bomber Top Gun, LF – David Pieczarka; Chesterglen's Top Gunner, LM – Bill Everly; North Star's Deuce of Diamond, LM – Michael Tome; Morning Sun Josie, LF – Kevin & Wendy McLaren; Morning Sun Contessa of Banco, LF – Bill & George Ann Birkhofer

Senior I

Dogs Entered: 16; **Dogs Qualified:** 8
Judges: Jim VanderGiessen & Fred Perini
 Millennium Ridgerunner, LF – Greg Schultheis; WR Deep Run Sir Drake of Gateway, LM – Joseph Meade; GMHR Morning Sun Adoration, LF – Kevin & Wendy McLaren; GMHR Silverbrooks Ravin' Rebel, LF – Jeff Riebling; GMHRCH Northern Flights Mist On The Water, CF – Debra Brennan; MHR-I Silverbrooks Gunar's Yellow Merkin, LM – Victoria Pepper & Larry Housman; MHR Take

It In Stride, LF – Barry Hohmann; MHR Little Bit of Trouble's Grace, LF – Robert & Allyson Patton

Senior II

Dogs Entered: 15; **Dogs Qualified:** 7

Judges: Tom Rourke & Dave Combs

GMHR Silverbrooks Ravin' Rebel, LF – Jeff Riebling; GMHRCH Northern Flights Mist On The Water, CF – Debra Brennan; MHR Timberbridge's Avalanche Emme, LF – Brian & Lisa Ellis; MHR Little Bit of Trouble's Grace, LF – Robert & Allyson Patton; MHR Take It In Stride, LF – Barry Hohmann; Daze Em Deep Beaver Kate, LF – Lisa & Brian Ellis; Millennium Ridgerunner, LF – Greg Schultheis

**Leatherstocking Hunting Retriever Association
Baldwinsville, New York
August 11, 2007**

Started

Dogs Entered: 10; **Dogs Qualified:** 10

Judges: Mike Hass & Maggie Rathje

Bristol Hills Boughton Benelli, LM – William J. Patterson & William W. Patterson; Orion's Twin Hills Remington, LM – Larry Dunning; Roarin' River Runner, LF – Karrie & Ray Green; Trace of a True Blooded Tribe, LM – Tom Moore & Rod Lucas; Cold Creek's Splash's Moxie, CF – Michael & Christina Bard; Jirah's Land Air Express, LM – Teri Hubler; Bristol Hills Beams Black Magic, LM – Jim Wetzler; Skeet's Golden Oak, GM – Louis Goeckel; Windrow's Ducks in a Row, GM – Mary Barrett; Grousemoor Frozen in Time, FM – Linda Brox & Helen Szostak

Intermediate

Dogs Entered: 7; **Dogs Qualified:** 6

Judges: Mike Hass & Maggie Rathje

SR Wingshot's Sweet Coco Bay, LF – Salvatore Garofalo; Kyler's T-N-T Express, LF – Tom Rourke; Tabor Adophers Fine, LM – Anthony Fine; SR Jake Daniels Anytime, LM – Teri Hubler; Bomber Top Gun, LM – David Pieczarka; Kresland's Walk the Line Diesel, LM – David Klotz

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It was the thoughtfulness of every child participating in NAHRA's youth membership program that inspired us to create this special membership rate.

President's Bark by Jim VanderGiessen (continued from p.1)

I believe our program does a great job of evaluating the full range of skills required of a great conservation animal. A NAHRA MHR can hunt anywhere and do it effectively. Still I think we can always make improvements in our field tests. For example good use of terrain can challenge a dogs abilities a lot more than a long swim. I hunt with some great guns and we don't have all that many 100 yard retrieves and when we do its pretty rare for it to be a good mark, more often than not "it's over there somewhere behind that point" I often hear folks in

the gallery make comments like "I don't know if they will be called back, they handled on a bird in both series." I hope we don't have many judges who use that formula. There is a lot more to evaluating the work than that. Conditions, quality of the throws, the inevitable distractions taking place on the grounds all need to be considered, and if you don't know what's going on you better think about calling a no bird and re-running the dog. It's all about fairness and I got to see a really good job of that in July.

This years Invitational was very well run and judged. My thanks to Frank, Scott, Val, Sonny, Dan, Ted and Diane and the many others who made the event such a success. My biggest take away from the event was how well dogs from out of the area performed and how with good judges the variables associated with dogs from all over the country can show their strengths.

Let's go hunting

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Cover Photo

Dan and Patsy Hove's dog Belle finished 1000 points at the MidWest Regional in August. The FT report came too late for this issue, so the GMHRCH will be officially announced in the next issue of the eNews. We'll try to get a story to go with it. For now, you can check the posts on www.NAHRAnews.org:

<http://www.nahranews.org/index.php?name=Forums&file=viewtopic&t=574&postdays=0&postorder=asc&start=15>

Tell your hunting friends about NAHRA

NAHRA has a new tri-fold brochure. I suggest that each club print some up for their members to hand out to hunters they meet this fall. You print front and back and tri-fold long ways (like a business letter). Check it out:

<http://www.nahranews.org/uploads/newsletter/TrifoldBrochure.pdf>

Upcoming Plans

You'll hear about NAHRA's booth at Pheasant Fest, the 2008 St. Paul, Minnesota, Invitational and other organization news soon. But the most important planning is what your club does to set next year's test calendar in the next month or so. Make sure you coordinate those plans with your Regional Director before November.

Deadlines:

15 Nov 2007

Regional Directors Report 2008 Test Dates to NAHRA HQ

8 Dec 2007

Articles for Winter NAHRA eNews

2008 Richard A. Wolters /North American Hunting Retriever Association Invitational Field Test

by Darin Westphal

NAHRA ENEWS FALL 2007

As the hunt test circuit here in the Midwest draws to a conclusion and our sights turn towards hunting, the Midwest regions members continue to finalize plans for the 2008 R.A.W./NAHRA Invitational being held at Kelley Cattle Company outside of Minneapolis Minnesota next June.

The 2008 RAW Invitational committee has received a list of recommended judges from the Regional Directors and is currently in the process of selecting from that list. Then based on the BODs approval, the selected judges will be extended invitations and will be then made public. We plan to run biographies in the Winter 07 NAHRA eNews.

At present, the goal is to have the 2008 RAW premium available right around the winter holidays. Several people have expressed an interest in paying their entry fees early, so to better accommodate all potential handlers/families; the sooner the premiums are released the easier it will be for planning. So keep your eyes open for this release during the upcoming winter months.

Raffles and Auctions are also being discussed and set up. There will be several raffles held in conjunction with both live and silent auctions. If you wish to donate an item, please contact Travis Lund at Travis.Lund@nahraraw.com or Dan Hove at Dan.Hove@nahraraw.com.

You can stay up to date on all RAW announcements by going to our website at www.nahraraw.com. This website will soon have a detailed list of events, raffles, notices and anything else that is relevant to help ensure that the RAW 2008 is an unforgettable event. An announcement will be forth coming on the www.NAHRAnews.org forum regarding the official launching of this website.

We hope you all have trained hard and successfully throughout 2007 and now get the opportunity to put that training to optimal use in the fields as you and your canine companion have a safe, successful and enjoyable fall in the woods, fields and waters. Keep training hard and we look forward to hosting you next June in Minnesota.

Finally, good safe hunting everyone.