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“Preserve Game, Use a Trained Retriever”

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ASSOCIATION



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Check out our web site for more information!

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Please come join us!



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2006 MARCH NEWSLETTER

MSGDA Web Site

[http:// www.msgda.org](http://www.msgda.org)

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MSGDA MESSAGE

Hi everyone, we indeed have an exciting 2006 planned. First up this year is our 2006 Annual Banquet & Membership Meeting.

In regards to our banquet, there are three areas you can help out.

- First, we have three Board position's available and need to nominate people that are willing to help direct our clubs future. If that is you, please submit your name to Kody Bull, or one of our Board Members. Board members dedicate about 2 hours a month at our monthly meeting and then may do an additional hour or two of work before our next meeting. As you can see, just a few hours of your time is needed to make our club successful.
- Second, our clubs' financial support is partly derived from club memberships. So complete the Membership form and mail it in or bring it to the banquet.
- Third, we are always seeking donations for our banquet. Donations typically are in the form of articles of equipment, artwork, dog training material, dog supplies and services, and general outdoor items. These donations are then auctioned to members and guests at our banquet to raise money for our clubs' annual expenses. If you have an item to donate or know of a business that would be willing to donate, please

contact our Banquet Organizer, Paula Ferguson via email at JPferg44@aol.com or by phone at 562-7774. Paula is keeping track of the businesses that we solicit sponsorship from so that we don't ask for their support multiple times.

2006 is planned to be another exciting and fun year, we once again have our training days planned as well as our NAHRA events and Upland fun hunt. To keep up with all our current and planned events check our website @ www.msgda.org.

MSGDA ANNUAL BANQUET & MEMBERSHIP MEETING

This years banquet and membership meeting will be held Saturday April 15th, 2006 at Soupy's café in Eagle River. Festivities to include Prime Rib and Fried Chicken dinner, with potatoes, fettuccine, salad, and yummy cakes and much more. Raffle and auction includes outside hunting trips, dog training and hunting supplies, prints, and more. A email and flyer with more details will be sent to all MSGDA members. Also check our website, msgda.org for more information. To RSVP or to donate items pleas contact Paula Ferguson at jpferg44@aol.com or 562 -7774.

2006 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

APRIL 6-9, 2006: MSGDA & FALCON RIDGE BOOTH AT GREAT ALASKAN SPORTSMANS SHOW
APRIL 15, 2006:MSGDA MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND BANQUET AT SOUPY'S CAFÉ IN EAGLE RIVER
MAY 6, 2006: MSGDA PICNIC TEST, LOCATION HEAVENS FIELD “LAND MARKS”
MAY 20, 2006: MSGDA PICNIC TEST, LOCATION BOYDS “LAND MARKS”
JUNE 4, 2006: MSGDA PICNIC TEST, BOYDS FARM “WATER MARKS”
JUNE 24-25, 2006: NAHRA LICENSED HUNT TEST AT FALCON RIDGE
JULY 22-23, 2006: NAHRA LICENSED HUNT TEST AT TOURNAGAIN
AUGUST 12, 2006: MSGDA FUN HUNT, FALCON RIDGE

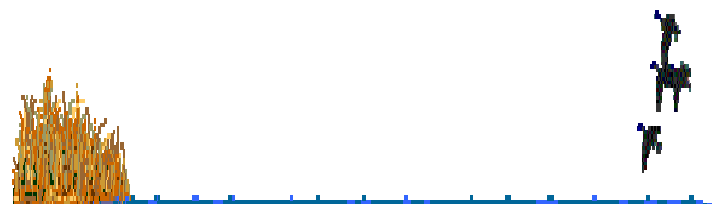
Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association
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Membership Application/Renewal

The Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association is dedicated to Alaska's hunters and their hunting dogs. Please fill out the information below and mail it with your check payable to the Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association. Thank you for your support!

Name(s):		Mailing Address		City & State	Zip Code
Home Phone	Work Phone	Mobile/Cell Phone	Fax	Email	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	Type of Membership (please check one):			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor* \$100.00		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing * \$50.00		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Family* \$30.00		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$25.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Date		Additional Contributions	 \$_____	
		Total Enclosed	 \$_____	

Please indicate which committees you would be willing to work on: Membership Newsletter Publicity Fund-raising
 Education Hospitality Field Events

** These memberships are entitled to list two voting members per family. Please include names of both voting members on your application.*



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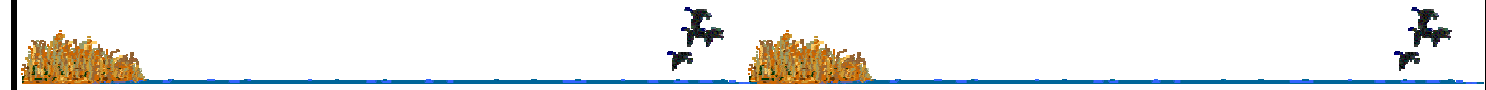
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**MSGDA TRAINING LIBRARY
AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS**

We have our training references available for members to check out. The list below is what is available to check out. Any of the books and videos can be checked out by members. We hope that everyone will take advantage of this great opportunity. If you are interested in checking out any books or videos, contact Paula Ferguson at 562-7774 or via email at jpferg44@aol.com. New books are now here!!!

BOOKS

- Water Dog, by Richard Wolters
- Working Retrievers, by Tom Quinn
- Tri-Tronics Retriever Training, by Jim & Phyllis Dobbs
- Training Your Retrievers, by James Lamb Free
- Hunting Retriever, by Bill Tarrant
- Retriever Training Test, by Jim Spencer
- Retriever Puppy Training, by Loveland & Rutherford

- Problem Gun Dogs, by Bill Tarrant
 - Retriever Training for Duck Hunters, by Robert Milner
 - Training Retrievers to Handle, by D.L. & Ann Walters
 - Training Retrievers for Marsh & Meadows, by Jim Spencer
 - Smartwork Vol I by Evan Graham
 - Smartwork Vol II by Evan Graham
 - Smart Fetch by Evan Graham
- VIDEOS**
- Water Dog, by Richard Wolters
 - Game Dog, by Richard Wolters
 - Total Retriever Training, by Mike Lardy
 - Marking by Mike Lardy
 - Tri-Tronics Video Trained Retrieve Part I "Hold" by Jim & Phyllis Dobbs
 - Tri-Tronics Video Trained Retrieve Part II "Fetch" by Jim & Phyllis Dobbs
 - Command Performance by David Dikeman

Help/Volunteers: These events are made possible by volunteers. If you can help out, please contact Paula Ferguson at 562-7774. Your help is appreciated.



NEW NAHRA WEBSITE

NAHRA, (North American Hunting and Retriever Organization) has a new website. The new address is www.nahranews.org. The forums for the old website www.nahra.org is still open.



MEMBERSHIPS DUE!!

It is that time of year again to renew your club memberships. As of April 1st memberships will expire. Please use the membership application in this newsletter to renew or renew at our banquet!!

ADDRESSES AND EMAILS

If you have been a member and haven't received our newsletter via mail or received MSGDA emails chances are MSGDA may have your correct information. Please take the time to completely fill out your membership applications and MSGDA will get its information to you.

**2006 PICNIC TEST
SCHEDULE**

This year MSGDA will be conducting 3 picnic hunt tests. These will be mock hunt tests with the intention to show new members how the NAHRA hunt test can help improve your dog in the duck blind, as well as in the pheasant field. This also will be a great time to learn some training tips. Also, this is a great time to shake off the rust of a more seasoned dog from the long winter.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
May 6	Heavens field	9:30am	Land
May 20	Boyds Farm	9:30am	Land
June 4	Boyds Farm	9:30am	Water

All events will include land or water marks, as well as land or water blinds. This will be a great time to meet other members and develop training groups. Ducks and pigeons will be used for all events. MSGDA will provide hot dogs and Hamburgers at all events please bring a side dish. Price *PER EVENT* will be \$10 *PER DOG*. Please check www.msgda.org for any changes or updates.

All MSGDA events are family events we hope you bring the whole family.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

- JUNE 24-26, 2006: NAHRA LICENSED HUNT TEST
- JULY 22-23, 2005: NAHRA LICENSED HUNT TEST
- AUGUST 12, 2006: MSGDA FUN HUNT, FALCON RIDGE

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR ANY
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WWW.MSGDA.ORG**

**MSGDA
AT THE
GREAT ALASKAN
SPORTSMAN SHOW**

This year MSGDA will once again be sharing a booth with Falcon Ridge and the Arctic Bird Dog Association. This years Sportsman Show will be at the Sullivan and Ben Boeke Arena, April 6-9. Stop by and say hello!! Our booth will be located in Ben Boeke.

