

WRC Tales



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Thoughts from Brian White, WRC President

Happy September to all of you. The leaves are beginning to fall, the breezes are starting to have a nip to them, and I am anxious to get out with my dog to hunt.

Chapter members Paul Grover and Gary Jensen qualified for the NAVHDA Invitational <http://www.navhda.org/invhome.html> near Bloomingdale Ohio. Several chapter members also attended the Invite to help out as volunteers and to support our members in their efforts. Paul and his German Shorthair Spring Valley's Seek and Destroy (Otis) earned a Versatile Champion title with a score of 197. Congratulations to both of you! (Paul is our WRC training director).

It's been a busy year for the WRC. The monthly training days have been well attended and we've all seen many handlers and dogs make real progress. We have held three full weekends of tests. The Handler's Clinic led by Curtis Fry was a great event for the chapter and all who took part. The shooting clinic led by Bruce Ramos was again well utilized and Dr. Link's insights and chip clinic was appreciated. We've had new people come in with young pups to be introduced for the first time to birds and had experienced members train successfully for the challenges of the Invite. Through it all we've shared gear and ideas, met lots of good folks and seen some very good dogs. 2011 has been a good year for the WRC.

As we wrap up the 2011 training season I want to say thanks to all the folks that come out and make the WRC work. Tireless officers and directors like Karla Nephew, Corey Lawson, Joe Stewart, Paul Grover, Connie Roewer, Laurie Vierthaler, John Matern and Jody Jensen put things in motion. Energized members like Jerry Schenck, Donna Cochenet, Paul Juckem, Jean Reece and many others who are always ready to step up and help out.

It's been a real pleasure to see the new faces that have stepped up to lead the WRC the last few years. **As we wrap up the 2011 year we will be looking for several new officers and directors to keep the WRC active and vital for years to come. Think about what you have received and maybe paying a little back in the year ahead.**

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This fall we will be looking for candidates for President, Secretary, and Treasurer to stand for election.

If you are interested in getting involved in the WRC leadership group, please contact Brian White or any of the Executive Council members listed on the back of this newsletter. The duties of the offices have been posted on the WRCNAVHDA website and in the recent YAHOO message that was sent to all members. We need to know of your interest by October 1 according to our bylaws. Elections will be held during November and the initiation of officers will be held at our annual meeting in January, 2012.

Section 3 NOMINATIONS.

- a) The President, with advice and consent of the Board of Directors, will appoint a nominating committee. The recommendations of the nominating committee will be published in the newsletter prior to the election.
- b) Nominations for office will be accepted from an active member when accompanied by:
 - 1) a letter of consent signed by the nominee,
 - 2) a petition of nomination signed by at least five active members, and
 - 3) be in the possession of the Secretary no later than October 1st.
- c) Nominees must be members in good standing of the chapter and parent organizations.

Section 4 VOTING

- a) Voting will be conducted by mail ballot.
- b) The Secretary will prepare a ballot for distribution to all active members with voting privileges on chapter records as of October 15. Where there are two or more persons nominated for the same office, the name of the nominee selected by the Nominating Committee shall be listed first, with the other candidates for the office listed in alphabetical order. The ballot shall be a simple form and addressed to the Chairman of the Election Tellers.
- c) The Tellers Committee shall consist of the Nominating Committee.
- d) To be valid, a ballot must be postmarked not later than November 15. The ballots will be counted and the results reported to the Secretary by December 10 and the Secretary will immediately announce the results.
- e) A simple majority of the ballots cast shall determine the successful candidate in each office. In case of a tie vote, the Board of Directors will select the successful nominee.
- f) The Board of Directors shall be the sole arbiter of disputes regarding the validity of the election.

Shoot straight,
Brian White

WRC Gear

Do you want to be a recognizable part of the Wisconsin River Chapter on training days and around town? We have good-looking items to wear that will make you look the part of a fantastic group of members.

We have NAVHDA logo hats, and orange T-shirts for a nominal price for you. There will also be bird bags available for purchase to hold the birds that you purchase for field work with your dog(s).

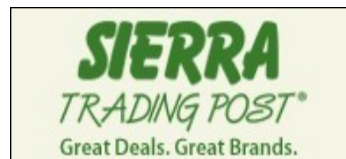
Not only that, we are always purchasing training equipment for use with specific training regimens. These include: bird releases, bird launchers, whoa boards, training tables, heeling courses, etc. The above items are used to help beginning trainers and experienced handlers help our dogs learn the basics of good field manners. Without these manners, a good hunt can go sour very quickly.

The WRC is always looking for the best ways to enhance and enrich the training experience. Your participation in these days is a key to these experiences. We encourage you to bring your friends along to our training days to learn if the WRC way will also help them with training their hunting dog.

WRC is now on Facebook!

Search for Wisconsin River Chapter - North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association.

Remember to "Like" our page to receive notifications when the page is updated.



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Looking for Advertisers for Newsletter

Are you interested in bringing in NAVHDA members to your business? Do you feel that you have a service that can be offered to members such as: boarding, grooming, training, dog supplies, gear, or other items that would of interest to a dog handler?

If so, please contact either Corey Lawson, WRC treasurer at clawson@accuray.com to secure an advertising spot for only \$20 a year. Your business card will reach a minimum of 100 dog persons each month. Word of mouth then can spread exponentially to more customers.

**Sign up for a
Yahoo! Account
to get
Reminders of
Events, and
Activities as
they are
planned for
YOU.**

Your Executive Council (EC) strives to make sure that all announcements reach every current and recent WRC member via email. Regrettably, mistakes can occur while keeping track of all of our members; additionally, spam filters and other "security features" have the potential of blocking our mass emails. While we will continue to send emails to ensure that everyone is kept in the loop on what your local NAVDHA chapter is up to, we'd also like to give you the opportunity to take more control over how you receive electronic information from the Chapter. This year, whenever your EC sends out an announcement (newsletter, event announcements, bird order reminders, etc.) to the full membership, we'll also post that message to our recently updated **website** (<http://www.wrcnavhda.com> <<http://www.wrcnavhda.com/>>) and our **Yahoo Group site** (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WRCNAVHDA/>).

Please remember that signing up at the Yahoo Group site gives you the opportunity to receive every post as an email message (or lump all posts into 1 email per day). So, signing up will ensure that you won't miss an important or time-critical email from the chapter. If you'd like help signing up on the Yahoo Group site, or would like help double checking your account settings, please contact Karla Nephew at krnephew@gmail.com.



Our website is incredible! Check out all the news, dates, pictures of members and their dogs, and more! Just go to

2011 WISCONSIN RIVER CHAPTER – NAVHDA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAVHDA Membership – DUAL MEMBERSHIP

A member needs to be a member of both the Wisconsin River Chapter – NAVHDA and the NAVHDA International for full entitlement to NAVHDA member rights and privileges. Liability insurance coverage for the chapter and international events and activities is one of the principle reasons for the dual membership policy.

A full member’s privileges include member voting at the chapter and international levels, free subscription to “Versatile Hunting Dog” International monthly magazine, free subscription to the WRC monthly newsletter, and participation in WRC monthly training days. We also have an awesome website at www.wrcnavhda.com that will keep you up on all chapter news and events.

Wisconsin River Chapter – NAVHDA is based on the calendar year of January 1 to December 31. NAVHDA International membership is also based on an annual basis. NAVHDA International is a 501(c) 3, a non-profit educational organization. Our federal tax number is 95-3402489.

Regular and Spouse Members have voting privileges; the junior membership does not have voting privileges and is restricted to those under 18 years of age.

NAME(S); _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL NUMBER (OPTIONAL) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

BREED OF DOG OWNED: _____

DOG(S) NAME (OPTIONAL) _____

I have an interest to serve WRC in one of the following checked areas:

_____ Training _____ Chapter Test Helper _____ Attending Shooting Clinic _____ Lunches _____ Other Talent

2011 WISCONSIN RIVER CHAPTER – NAVHDA MEMBERSHIP

_____ \$30.00 (Includes the collar fees for training at training grounds for members and their dogs)

Optional additional memberships

_____ \$5.00 for spouse WRC chapter membership for 2010 calendar year.

_____ \$5.00 for junior WRC chapter membership for 2010 calendar year.

\$_____ TOTAL Membership Dues and Dog Fees for Wisconsin River Chapter NAVHDA chapter in 2010

NAVHDA INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP (Required Membership)

_____ I am currently a NAVHDA International Member – My NAVHDA International member # _____

_____ Joining NAVHDA International... Online membership is at http://www.NAVHDA.org.

Please return check (made out to WRC NAVHDA) and completed form to:

Corey Lawson
120 Marshall Court
Mt. Horeb, WI 53572
clawson@tomotherapy.com
(608) 437-0217

Results of NAVHDA Chapter Tests on September 10 and 11, 2011

The fall WRC chapter tests were held on the 10th and 11th of September at Wipps' Pheasant Ranch outside of Spring Green. The following handlers, dogs, and scores are listed below.

Results from Saturday, 9/10/11

Test	Handler	Dog's Name	Breed	Prize Earned
Utility Prep	Michael Multhauf	Greta VI	GW	106 No Prize
Utility	Vic Connors	Cedarwoods Shot in the Dark	PP	163 No Prize
Utility	R. Carey McMillan	Feld Jaegers' Gus	GS	171 Prize !!!
Utility	Derek Jennings	Coco's Echo Ava Jennings	GR	188 No Prize
Utility	Basil Ryan	Windstorm's Mighty Brady	GS	10 No Prize
Utility	Corey Lawson	Des Chien's Ember	GR	185 No Prize

Results from Sunday, 9/11/11 Natural Ability Test

Handler	Dog's Name	Breed	Prize Earned
Bruce White	Nation's Admiral	GR	108 Prize II
Steve Day	Killbuck's Tallulah	PP	95 No Prize
David Hoffman	Drumming Woods F"Emma Annie Rose	BS	107 Prize I
Michelle Wilbers	Brush Dale's Bustin' Loose	SM	108 Prize I
Ken Pierce	Cedarwoods Harley	PP	106 Prize II
Michelle Wilbers	Brush Dale's Brown Sugar	SM	108 Prize I
Michelle Wilbers	Brush Dale's Brown Eyed Girl	SM	94 No Prize
Jerri O'Connor	Brush Dale's Better Late Than Never	SM	112 Prize I
James Simmons]]]]'s Kaiser	GW	104 Prize II
Trevor Madigan	Nation's Ace	GR	108 Prize II

Judges: Ron Boehme, Jerome Schenck, and Michael Crosby.

RAFFLE RESULTS AND PRIZES

Thanks to all the members and friends who bought raffle tickets for this year's WRC fundraiser!

First Place—\$300: Wendy Newton

Second Place—\$200: Nate Merk

Third Place—\$100: Rick Waldschmidt

Wipp's Pheasant Ranch, site of this year's September, was a Godsend for allowing us to use their fields, water, and buildings. Getting out of the heat on both days to have a lunch and use of the cabin porch to view the field work was well-appreciated by all in attendance. They donated to our chapter two four-bird hunts as raffle items.

The winners of the four-bird hunts at Wipp's were:

Ken Pierce

John DuCharme

Wipps' is located at E6535 Wipp Drive, Spring Green, WI 53588. Give their fine facility a try to get your dog ready for the hunting season.

Thanks to all the volunteers who made the tests run smoothly for the Chapter:

Denine Ackerbauer

Scott Bradley

Donna Cochenet

Steve Day

Paul Juckem

Corey Lawson

Karla Nephew, Test Secretary

Jean Reece

Tara Reeson

Connie Roewer

Joe Stewart, Test Director

Laurie Vierthaler

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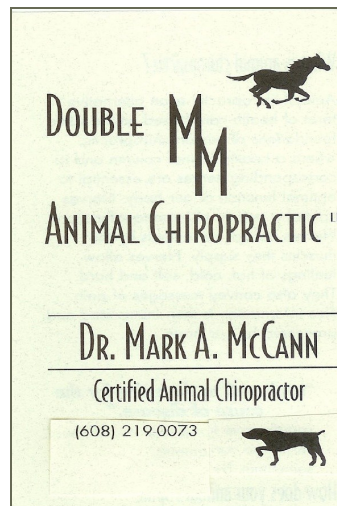
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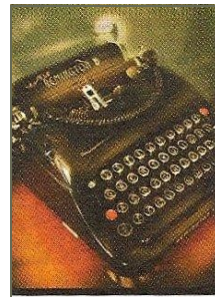
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