



Steady On Point

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NAVHDA is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to foster, promote, and improve the versatile hunting dog breeds in North America; to conserve game by using well trained reliable hunting dogs before and after the shot; and to aid in the prevention of cruelty to animals by discouraging nonselective and uncontrolled breeding, which produces unwanted and un-cared for dogs.

Special Points of Interest in 2011

March 26 New Member Orientation
 March 27 Training day - Mead

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Presidents Message - Gary Engebretson

The first training day of the year is quickly approaching. I'm sure you are all as excited as and as ready as I am to get to some nicer weather and begin the dog fun. Let's all hope that we can melt the snow before that day.

Sheryle Tepp has done a great job of obtaining lots of great training equipment and attire that can be purchased at all the training sessions and tests. It will be on display early mornings and at lunch time. Most of the attire has the nice embroidered NAVHDA logo. This is good quality clothing and really worth looking at.

The Chapter has a big need for volunteers for lunches and bird pick-ups.

Lunches are easy. You just need to take care of supplying the main entrée and then help dish out the lunch. You are

reimbursed for expenses on the entrée.

Bird pick-up is a matter of going the day before the training day and picking up birds from a couple different places. The orders will be pre-placed. This is crucial to our chapter members. WE NEED BIRDS TO TRAIN!!!! Our Chapter stands out from many others because we help provide birds.

Please consider contacting Sheryle Tepp to sign up for one of the needs.

For the new members Saturday March 26th at 1:00pm at my place will be the NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION. It will consist of learning how the Chapter operates and some basic dog training instruction. Please contact me if you plan to attend. 715-457-2444 or enge@tds.net

Clothing and Items for Sale



We have several training items that were purchased to help Chapter members out, and some clothing items, nicely embroidered, for sale again this year. These include TBI bird bags and check cords, Wonder leads, puppy collars, LCS stakeouts, waist bags, the ever popular orange and tan pullovers, mens vented shooting shirts (short sleeve) and womens vented shirts (long sleeve). As usual the items are first come-first served.

Checks only, please. If we cannot make change you might end up making a few dollar donation to the chapter.

Marcia Huernefuss will be conducting sales in the morning during bird sales time and around lunch time. Please contact her or Sheryle if you would be available to help out on occasion this year.

Membership Information

NAVHDA International dues:

New Member \$55

Special Value Package \$78.50

Renewal \$50

Spouse and Jr. \$25.00

The time period for all International membership dues runs for 12 months from date paid.

NCWNAVHDA Dues:

Membership dues run Jan-Jan, \$20 for first family member, \$5/additional family member, \$5 additional for newsletter postage if you do not have email. Check the North Central Wisconsin NAVHDA (ncwnavhda.com) web site for the application and instructions, or contact Dave Spang for more information.

Thank you Card

Dear NCW NAVHDA:

Where do Rob and I even begin to find the words capable enough to thank all of you for the love and kindness with the donation you have sent us. The outpouring of compassion by so many people around the country with cards, words of encouragement, prayers and donations has left us numb with gratitude and deeply touched and humbled.

When this happened two months ago we really thought we just could not do this anymore but the letters we've received and are still coming in telling us please rebuild and continue going. We have a spark to continue to do what we love to do.

The 4 surviving dogs are doing better but we still have visits to the vet. Some concern with them coughing but all in all we have turned a corner. Once again, thank you for your wonderful gift to us and the tears you have shed with us and the prayers you have said for us.

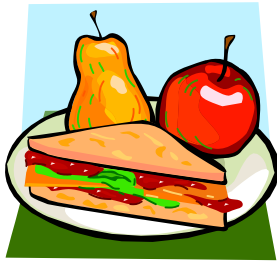
Lovingly,
Rob and Judy
AbbeLane Kennels

2011 Invitational Qualified Dogs from NCW Chapter



Owner/Handler	Dog Name	Breed
Chris Zupo	Ruger	ES
Joanna Zupo	TC	ES
Sheryle Tepp	Baron	VI
Sheryle Tepp	Karma	VI
Nicole/Andy Larsen	Breezy	BS
John McKenzie	Karma	BS

Lunch Sign Up



Consider managing a lunch to help out those who are helping you learn about training your pointing dog!



You should be receiving a confirmatory email when you place a bird order. If you did not, notify Mike Crosby at mlcrosby@charter.net.

Our chapter enjoys the benefits of a mid-day meal. Donations from the meals are one of our most important fund raisers. As you can see below there are LOTS of opportunities to volunteer - please consider helping out by signing up for a lunch - it is appreciated by all members. Cost for the main dish will be reimbursed by the chapter - all it costs you is your time. See Sheryle for details.

Date	Signed up
March 26 - Training Day	Tepps
May 1 - Training Day	
May 29 - Training Day Mead	Huenerfuss
June 3 - Test Mead (Double)	Neil Roberts/Lori
June 4 - Test Mead (Double)	
June 5 - Test Mead (Double)	
June 26 - Training Day Mead	John McKenzie
July 31 - Training Day Mead	Schaeffers
August 6 - Carlstroms Chicken Day	Carlstroms?
August 14 - Training Day Mead	Mike Crosby
August 26- Test Mead (Double)	
August 27- Test Mead (Double)	
August 28 - Test Mead (Double)	

Ordering Birds - Chapter Members Only

You cannot train bird dogs without Birds!

Get your bird orders in as soon as possible. Ducks will NOT be available for the March training day. We do have Chukar, Quail and Pigeons available for our training days this year. If you do not get an on-line order placed there is no guarantee you will be able to get any birds. To order: go to our chapter website ncwnavhda.com, look for the 7th tab on the top of our site and open the Order Birds page. Instructions are on the page on how to place orders.

Mike Hack has birds available in addition to what our chapter will provide during training days.

Mike Hack mwhack@wctc.net
 (715) 570-1013
 5520 Lynn Hill Rd
 Nekoosa, WI 54457

These birds are flight conditioned, healthy birds. In addition, if you wish to place an order he will have birds available from spring hatch starting the end of June. Minimum quantity is 10 birds (mixed species ok). Birds can be either picked up in Nekoosa or delivery to a mutual spot in Wisconsin Rapids is possible. You must provide your own crate for the birds.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Spring (carry over)</u>	<u>Summer (new hatch)</u>
	<u>pricing</u>	<u>pricing</u>
Chukar	\$10.00	\$6.25
Quail	\$4.25	\$3.75
Huns	\$9.00	\$7.00
Pheasant	NA	\$8.00

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2011 Important Dates

January 15	Annual Meeting — Meyers Landing Knowlton
January 27	MGA Meeting Mead
March 26	New Member Orientation Gary Engebretson's
March 27	Train Day Mead
May 1	Train Day Mead
May 14-15	Handlers Clinic TBA
May 29	Train Day Mead
June 3-4-5	Spring Test Mead
June 11-12	Pro Seminar TBA
June 26	Train Day Mead
July 31	Train Day Mead
August 6	Chicken Day - Carlstroms
August 14	Train Day Mead
August 26-27-28	Fall Test Mead
September 15-18	Invitational OH

Our Sponsors

There are many companies and non-profit organizations who sponsor NAVHDA. Their continued support has helped ensure the stability and future of our organization. Please support them, and be sure to mention you are a member of NAVHDA when you can!



Bird Pickup - Thanks all who volunteered!

I will email instructions out to each of you at least 2 weeks prior to your pick up date. We are trying out a double signup because we have added a second supplier in Wisconsin Rapids, but this dual route could change. - Sheryle

March 25	<u>Marshfield</u>	<u>Wis Rapids</u>
April 30	Tepps	
May 29	Roberts	
June 25		Schaeffer
July 30		
August 13		