



# 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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## Opportunity Knocks - Snatch and Grab it - Mike Crosby

Have you ever wondered what a good solid point looks like? Can you recognize when your dog "roads in" on a point? Did your dog track that downed pheasant or just happen to run into it while running around? As a hunter/dog trainer you need to know how to evaluate your dog's performance in these areas and many others. Without this knowledge, it is unlikely you can hone a talented young pup into the skilled hunting partner you seek.

A handler clinic uses the NAVHDA test system to teach dog owners how to judge a dog's actions and link performance together with the NAVHDA scoring system. During chapter training sessions, experienced dog trainers will show you many training techniques. Having attended a handler clinic, you can use the knowledge gained in the handler clinic to take away much more from the training sessions. Use this knowledge in your own training sessions, and your dog's performance will greatly improve and you will be able to enjoy hunting over a well trained dog for years to come.

NCW Chapter will be holding a Handler Clinic during May this year. New members and aspiring judges are encouraged to attend. Clinics are conducted by designated trained leaders;

all of whom are NAVHDA Senior Judges and experienced dog trainers and hunters.

During the two day clinic, the first few hours of each day is devoted to informal classroom instruction on a specific NAVHDA test, i.e., Natural Ability. The group then goes out to the field to judge and score dogs being run in the actual test process. After each dog has run, each participant individually scores the dogs performance applying the classroom training. The learning experience is further enhanced when the clinic leader holds an open, interactive discussion of performance and scoring as observed by the participants. The discussions are held in an informal and non-threatening manner to promote a positive learning experience.

During the two day clinic weekend, all aspects of a Natural Ability, Utility Preparatory, and Utility Test are covered.

The NCW Handler Clinic will be held on May 14-15<sup>th</sup> at the Mead Dog Training Grounds. Please contact Brent Catura to sign up (phone 715-457-2948 or e-mail [brcatura@gmail.com](mailto:brcatura@gmail.com)).



## Navarino Training Grounds - a new place to train!

*This is a new training grounds that one of our chapter members has been working on. Dan was asked to provide the information for the grounds in the hopes that a few members could help out, and so all members have the information for their training permits Sheryle*

The GPS coordinates for a dog training permit are: N44 37.802' W088 35.41'. Located behind Wolf River Game Farm, Shiocton, WI.

I plan on having a clean-up day on Sunday March 20. We will clear twigs, branches etc from the training fields, and cut any "stickups" left from mowing last season. If you can make it out great - bring gloves. If you have access to cutting tools - useful items are long handled loppers, and brush saws (hand operated and gas powered) We will start at 7:30 and hope to be finished by 1. Bring your dogs. There will be plenty of opportunity to run them afterwards. Hope to see you there. Let me know if you can make it via email. Any questions - please contact me at [dan\\_hochleutner@yahoo.com](mailto:dan_hochleutner@yahoo.com) or Cell: (920) 277-8888.

### 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](http://ncwnavhda.com)) web site for the application and instructions, or contact Dave Spang for more information.

### Birds for Sale

Mike Hack has birds available in addition to what our chapter will provide during training days. His information is below:

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

Mike has birds available for training that were carried over from 2010. These 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

### Lunches and Bird Pickups

I have the sign up from the Annual Meeting and will update our next newsletter. *Sheryle*

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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!



## Litters for Sale

Wirehaired pointing Griffon Pups born 1-22-11

Ready March 12th.

NAVHDA Utility prize I & II sire and dam.

De Jac Pine Kennels

Dave & Julie Carlstrom

715-421-3227

## Pudelpointer Pups

VC Bruderstahl Al (Al) x VC Cedarwoods Zabrina (Molly)

Contact Ken Pierce 715-630-4088