



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 uncared for dogs.

From the training table of Brent Catura, NCW Chapter President:

Well are you ready to get outside and train dogs? I sure am!

Winters are long in Wisconsin but you can still do a lot indoors with your dog. It's a good time for introduction to whoa – come – fetch. I usually do the show me stage of this in the house to begin with. Also go for a walk and practice your commands outdoors along with healing. Teach your dog the meaning of kennel if they don't already know it. Do you have an e-collar? This can be used to gently reinforce known commands. Mostly now is the time to just do something, anything other than sitting on the couch. If you need help

or more direction, please drop me a line and I will get back to you. Or ask one of the other senior members in our club for help. I'm sure we'll all be willing to help out.

Our next training day is March 30th. We have a number of topics to cover for upcoming events. If we can't get into the grounds because of snow or it's just too nasty outside, I have reserved the DNR building and we will meet there. I'll send an e-mail the week before training. If you don't get an e-mail or if unsure, please call me.

Lastly I want to mention our member Dan Gannon who is recovering from a recent heart attack. He's at home now, resting up so he can have heart surgery. We wish him the best and pray all goes well. Before you know it Dan you'll

be back out running dogs again.

See you all at the next training day,

Brent Catura

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2008 Important Dates

- ~~January 5th Annual Meeting 3pm Sky Club, 2202 Post Road, Plover, WI~~
- ~~January 18-19-20 Pheasant Fest Minn MN~~
- ~~January 31-February 2 International NAVDA Meeting Orlando FL~~
- March 30 Mead Training Day
- April 18 Wolf Population meeting
- April 19 Wolf Stakeholders meeting
- April XX - MGA Work Day
- April 27 Mead Training Day
- May 25th Mead Training Day
- June 7th-8th Mead Test Days
- June 22th Mead Training Day
- July 12-13 Judges Workshop Conn
- July 20nd Mead Training Day
- August 10th Mead Training Day
- August 23rd-24th Mead Test Days
- August 28th-September 1st Invitational Minneapolis MN

First Time Handlers Plaque

We have a fund available for first time handlers who achieve a prize designation on their dog at one of our tests. If you qualify and send in for a plaque, send the receipt to the club treasurer for reimbursement. This fund was set up by a former club member , and so far we have had only one person get reimbursed from it.

Dan and Kara Gannon would like to thank all the NCW members who supported us by calling to talk, offering to take in dogs or simply keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. Things are easier and going much better with the help of a great bunch of people like yourselves. At times like these, it seems more like the NCW family than NCW chapter.

Thanks Again, **Dan and Kara**

Club Business

Membership Information

NAVHDA International dues:

New Member \$50

Special Value Package \$73.50 (not \$72.50 as earlier listed)

Renewal \$45

Spouse and Jr. \$22.50

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

NCWNAVHDA Dues:

\$20 for first family member, \$5 per additional family member.

Check the North Central Wisconsin NAVHDA (ncwnavhda.com) web site for the application and instructions, or contact Dave Spang for more information.

Membership Renewals

You should have received membership forms for the local chapter in the last newsletter - if you need another form check our internet site or call Sheryle Tepp or Dave Spang.

By joining the parent organization you help keep our insurance rates down as we purchase insurance through the International organization allowing our chapter to use live ammo on training and test days. Also, in order to run your dog in any chapters test you need to be a current member in good standing of the International organization.

Training Permits:

Do not forget to check your training permits before you start this year. The permits run for 3 years and its easy to forget that they have expired - the DNR does check the Mead and other areas to ensure that permits are in hand. Of course - on official Chapter training days the Chapters training permit will cover all members. You can obtain training permits at the Mead Rangers center, or call your local DNR to determine where they will do registry. The fee is \$25/3 years.

Better yet, attend our first training day - Tom Meyers has agreed to attend the March 30th training day between 11:30 and 12:30 and either issue permits or collect them if other Class A training grounds are included in your application (each class A grounds is managed by a different county DNR and they individually must sign off on the permits you submit). I have attached a form that you can print out and have filled in ahead of time. If you intend to train at the Mead dog training grounds you MUST include that legal description as well. If you have more sites for training than allowed on the permit, fill out multiple copies of the permit application.

For each site, you must include the following;

Owners name, address and phone number

Legal description of property (available from platt book)

The Mead training grounds legal description is County Marathon, Township 26N, Range 6E, Section 34.

Club Business

AKC/Breed Accomplishments

I will run a feature column for those people who campaign their dogs outside of NAVHDA. If you have something you would like included in this column I will need the following information:

- . Organization
- . Specific accomplishment (i.e. 2nd leg of the AKC junior hunt test)
- . Age/sex/breed of dog
- . Registered name of dog/owners name/handlers name

AKC Hunt Tests for this spring:

- . 3/22 Eagle WI
- . 4/12 & 13 Eagle WI
- . 5/3 & 4 Campbellsport WI
- . 5/17 & 18 Ottawa WI

Other events

In addition to the NAVDA events that will be covered in our newsletter I will include any information you care to include regarding other key events, including AKC tests/shows in WI and the surrounding area, and any breed specific events/dates you would like to include.

Invitational

Teams that have qualified for the 2008 Invitational from NCWNAVHDA Chapter:

Tim Peeters/Peerless Northwoods Jam
Scott Daenicke/Peerless First Light
Dan Snider/Isadora Von Enzstrand
Daniel Gannon/Dankar's Haupt Von Ebenbildt
Daniel Gannon/Grouse Point's Ancel Lear
Scott Daenicke/Peerless Prairie Wind
Matt Tepp/Rockwoods Kivalo Maverick
Gary Engebretson/CoCo
Ken Pierce/Molly
Brent Catura/Emma
Dick Sutherland/Tucker
Jonathan Peeters re-qualified Mags but since they earned VC she will not be running again.

Congratulations all!

Sheryle Tepp

Lunch Sign Up for 2008

We already have about 1/2 of the lunches arranged for - thank you to the volunteers! We always appreciate a solid meal on the training and test days. It would be good to see some new faces put on a lunch - please consider it! There is a bit of work that is required to put on a main dish, but the contributor is compensated for the main dish and drinks. The rest of the chapter contributes thorough donating dishes, and there are lots of hands helping to set up and clean up at the end. If you are willing - contact Sheryle Tepp for more info by email or phone (715) 345 - 0443.

Lunch Sign Up

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Main Dish</u>
March 30	Carstroms & Brunis	
April 27	Gannon	
May 22	Marcia Huernefuss	
June 7 (test - Mead double)	Peeters	
June 8 (test - Mead double)	Huntrods	
June 22		
July 20	Schaeffer	
August 10		
August 23 (test - Mead double)		
August 24 (test - Mead double)		

West Nile Virus Study

The West Nile Virus has been detected in dead birds in Wood County. This virus can be passed from birds to humans and equines via mosquitos, results in encephalitis and can have severe consequences including death. The virus can infect a wide range of bird species, and corvids (crows, blue jays, and ravens) are highly susceptible to WNV. Once a highly susceptible bird becomes infected with WNV, death can occur within five to seven days. Dead birds are most often found singly, not in mass die-offs in one place at one time. Other WI wildlife with evidence of exposure to WNV include tundra swan, sandhill crane, goshawk, Coopers, sharp-shinned, and red-tailed hawks, bald eagle, merlin, mourning dove, hairy and downy woodpeckers, chickadee, robin, bluebird, grackle, cedar waxwing, gray squirrel, big and little brown bat, elk, and gray wolf.

Wisconsin has a reporting program that outdoorsmen and women are asked to support. If you should find a dead bird that you think could have this virus, please call the USDA Dead Bird Recording at 800 433 1610. If the bird is not decayed and you have the ability, using rubber or latex gloves pick up the bird, wrap in plastic bag and place in a cooler or refrigerator. The USDA will contact you to arrange for shipping to a test facility.

Information extracted from the WI DNR web site <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/whealth/issues>.

Other Business

Wolf Shareholders meeting update: Scott Daenike and Marcia Huernefuss are our club representatives for the upcoming meetings, but the general public is also welcome to attend. Both meetings noted in the list of important dates above (April 18th and 19th) will be held at the Days Inn in Wausau off exit 188, Hwy51, behind Walmart. Meeting times are from 10-4 on the 18th, and 9-3 on the 19th. The first day will be spent covering population information. The second day will be focus on the future of the wolf in Wisconsin and what if any changes are proposed. Please contact Scott or Marcia if you have any questions at peerless@newnorth.net.

The WI DNR is also holding its annual Wisconsin Conservation Congress public meetings around the state on April 14th, starting at 7pm. A list of the locations has been scanned in and is attached to this newsletter. There are many topics that the public will have an opportunity to vote/comment on, including two questions relating specifically to the wolf population in WI. Visit the website <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/nrboard/congress/springhearings/> for specific information on all of the topics to be reviewed.

Relating specifically to wolves, Question 59 **Protection of Private Property on Public Land** is a yes or no question asking for support to an administrative rule changes which would allow a person to protect their personal property on public land as they are currently allowed to do on private land. Question 71 **Wolf Management** asks if there is favor for the DNR, Wisconsin Conservation Congress and the Wisconsin Legislature develop a season framework and harvest goals to maintain the wolf population within management objectives.

There are of course MANY other topics being discussed at this meeting, from walleye limits to changes in public access on managed forest lands to turkey seasons. If you have the opportunity, attend and vote!

Dankar Kennels 2008 Litter

VC Shooting Starr's Wrenegade

(VC Shooting Starr's son of a gun MH NSTRA CH X VC Shooting Starr's Hail Storm MH)

X

Int Ch Grouse Point's Etta Brune JH UT II

Int Ch VC Feldjaeger Klaus X Eleven Hill's Reno Belle

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