



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.

This month we have quite a bit of news for the chapter members, starting with the plans for 2009. With 6 training days planned for, 2 test weekends, a handlers clinic and possibly a pro trainer clinic, be sure to check the calendar on Page 2 and mark your dates down!

January 3rd is our annual meeting and elections. The festivities start at 3pm at the Sky Club, Plover WI. A chapter business review, financial review, referendum vote, and elections for Treasurer, Secretary and board members will be held, to be followed by a silent auction, dinner and awards.

If you want to vote you must be a paid member of this chapter - membership form is on the last page of the newsletter. Dave Spang requests that you complete the form and mail to him well in advance of the meeting, or you can bring the form and your payment to the meeting itself.

The referendum up for vote is to modify the by-laws so that we would have four board members

serving terms of two years each, with elections on alternate years. For 2009 we would elect a total of four board members, two of whom would serve two years and the other two would serve one year. When the two spots would open up next year the board members elected would serve for two years again, getting them on the two year rotation. This would provide more continuity to support the chapter, since the officers currently serve two year terms, with the President and Vice President election held on even numbered years and the Treasurer and Secretary election held on odd numbered years.

Gary Bohlmans estate made a generous contribution to our chapter from the sale of his 3 Griffons. A thank you card will be available for chapter members to sign.

The annual meeting is also a great time to get your test applications in, now that the schedule is set. Our chapter has many active members with great dogs, and there were a number of dogs that were very close during our UT tests - so be proactive

and get your application in early to secure a spot in the tests. NA tests also fill up quite quickly in the spring - do not wait or you may be on the list hoping for an opening. As always you have the option of withdrawing for a minimal fee if the dog is not ready. I will collect the test applications for Tajia, she will be a bit late to the meeting.

Sally Peeters is once again (thank you!) organizing baskets for the silent auction at our January 3rd meeting - please contact her if you have items to donate.

I look forward to seeing you all in January - good time to share stories and warm up after our chilly start to WI winter. **Sheryle Tepp**

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2009 Important Dates

W	January 3 - NCW Annual Meeting/Dinner
W	February 6-8 - Pheasant Fest Madison
W	March 29 - Training Day Mead
W	April 26 - Training Day Mead
W	May 16/17 - Handlers Clinic Location TBD
W	May 31 - Training Day Mead
W	June 6/7 - Test Mead/Carlstroms
W	June 28 - Training Day Mead
W	July 11/12 - Judges Clinic Chicago IL
W	July 26 - Training Day Mead
W	August 1 - Carlstroms Chicken Day
W	August 23 - Training Day Mead
W	August 29/30 - Test Mead
♦	September 17-20 - Invitational OH

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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:

Membership dues run Jan-Jan, \$20 for first family member, \$5/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.

Etcetera

Invitational Bound!

For 2009 we have the following dogs qualified:

Brent Catura	Autumn Legends Daisy	BS
Mike Melotik	Snowy Oak's Gopher	LM
Cortney Schaefer	Cora vom Illertal	GL
Corey Siegler	Rockwood's Kivalo Gunsmoke	VI
Matt Tepp	Rockwood's Kivalo Super Tramp	VI
Daniel Wall	Dankar's Dakota	GS
Joe Aumann	Ginny Vom Wendigjager	GW
John McKenzie	Soco's Mystic Lady	BS

[International Meeting - Basket Challenge and Fundraiser](#)

Brent Catura will be attending the International Meeting in Portland, OR as our representative.

The Chapter officers have decided that we will participate in the Basket challenge once again. This year, however, 50% of the proceeds from every basket raffeled off come back to the chapter, so this is a great fundraising opportunity for us.

From last years meeting, it was observed that the best response came from baskets that included guided hunts, so Brent and Gary have offered to provide a 2 day, 3 night guided grouse/goose hunt for the successful bidder. In addition Matt Tepp will provide a finished mount from the hunt. Please consider bringing small items that can be placed in the basket (which will be brought to the meeting) that we can ship safely to Oregon ahead of the meeting (no perishables or glass please).

Anything with a Wisconsin or hunting theme would be welcome. Some ideas are: leatherman tool, tee shirt or other shirt (size large), maple syrup, cheese in wax (will keep well), sausage, hat, etc. The items need to fit in the basket. Be inventive!

Joe Aumann has some neighbors (Amish) who will bulid pigion coups and quail recall pens , \$500 for pigeon and \$375 for quail. If you are interested call Joe at (715) 613-6868

To fill those new coops, Dave and Julie Carlstrom have some homer pigeons available for sale. If you are interested, please contact them via email at: dejac@wctc.net

Lunch Signup

Yes folks its time once again to fill the lunch signup sheet. We already have the first training day covered - lets see how many sign ups can be filled at the January annual meeting!

Lunch responsibilities -provide the main dish, soda and water, do set up and takedown of lunch. Submit receipts for main dish and beverages to Dave Spang for re-imbusement. Plastic ware and plates are provided by the chapter. A two burner stove is available to heat the main dish.

All members attending a training or test day are asked to provide a dish to pass (salad or dessert) to supplement the main dish.

Lunch funds are a significant portion of our fund raisers - it is an easy way to support the chapter members who volunteer their time and expertise in the field and water or as officers. Please consider signing up for a day - its easy, fun and appreciated by all members!

Lunch Sign Up

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Main Dish</u>
March 29	Carstroms & Brunis	Chili
April 26		
May 16 Handlers clinic		
May 17 Handlers clinic		
May 31		
June 6 (test - Mead)		
June 6 (test - Carlstroms)		
June 7 (test - Mead)		
June 7 (test - Carlstroms)		
June 28		
July 26		
August 23		
August 29 (test - Mead double)		
August 30 (test - Mead double)		

The 2009 Pheasant Fest will be held at the Alliant Energy Center (next to the Dane Co. Coleseum) in Madison on February 6, 7 & 8. The WR and NCW Chapters of NAVHDA have been asked to set up, take down and staff the NAVHDA booth during the show. Marcia and I helped out last year in Minnesota, it was a neat experience which we would gladly do again. I will be asking for volunteers to sign up at the January meeting. Ideally there would be 2-4 people at the booth at all times. Each shift lasts 2 hours, with the rest of the time free to wander the exhibits or view one of the workshops being presnted. The seminar list is not yet published for this year, but last year included Rick Smith, Bob West, and Tracy Harmeyer, as well as Tom Dokken and Jerry Ray Cacchio representing non-pointing breeds. There are seminars on habitat management, a full schedule of youth activities, and more. Of course volunteers recieve a pass to the exhibits for the day they are scheduled to staff our booth.

The area that our booth will be located is called Dog Alley, a mix of dog clubs, breed clubs, and pro dog trainers. One big attraction for the thousands of people coming through the exhibits is the chance to view (and pet and talk about) the many different breeds of dogs used for pheasant hunting. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring their dog to the show, and there are facilities provided for to exersize and manage the dogs. For more information check out their website: <http://pheasantfest.org>. Please contact me if you are interested in signing up. ***Sheryle Tepp***

NAVHDA - NCW CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION *

Please make check Payable to: NCW NAVHDA

Return Check and Completed form to:

David Spang
4317 Sequoia Drive
Stevens Point, WI 54481

MEMBER INFORMATION

YOUR NAME	@ \$20\$
SPOUSE	@ \$5 \$
OTHER FAMILY	@ \$5 \$
OTHER FAMILY	@ \$5 \$
OTHER FAMILY	@ \$5 \$

Total \$

STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL

INTN'L NO.

Note: You're International NAVHDA number can be found on the address label of your VHD magazine

DOG INFORMATION

DOG NAME BREED SEX AGE

* Membership in NAVHDA International is required for your North Central Wisconsin (NCW) membership to be valid

Please provide an email address if you have one available. Use of email for the newsletter distribution saves the chapter about \$10/member in printing and mailing costs - and you are assured of more timely delivery of the newsletter! *Thank you, Sheryle Tepp*