

# Retriever Rews



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#### 2000 Calendar of Events

(subject to change)

(Editor's Note: the Official Calendar of Events was to be one of the topics of discussion and decision at the January 18th Club Meeting. This information will be updated soon.)

March 14 - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m.
White Bear Bowling - US61&Cedar
Apr/May- Club Meeting Schedule
To be announced
June 10-11 - LLHRC Hunt Tests
Kelley Farms Stillwater.
September 9- LLHRC Hunt Test
Kelley Farms Stillwater.

LLHRC is now available and updated on the web thanks to Chad Peterson. Visit the site at http://www.pconline.com/~chad/lolhrc

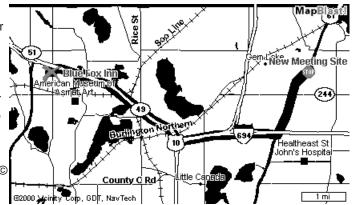
Our schedule of events during the year (including hunting season) will posted on the website, as best as possible.

# Membership Meeting - Tuesday, March 14

The March club meeting will be held Tuesday, March 14, at the Holiday House (White Bear Bowl), 1600 Cedar @ Highway 61, White Bear Lake, starting at 7:00 p.m. The Holiday House will set up a meeting space for us that should be quieter and more conducive to a productive club meeting. Those wishing to gather for dinner starting at 6:00 are welcome. Food is reported to be good and reasonably priced. Food & beverage service will be available at 7:00 too.

This map shows where the new meeting site (Holiday House, 1.7 miles North of 694 on Hwy 61) is in relation to our previous place (Blue Fox):

To get door to door directions from your front door to meeting front door, you can visit the websites www.avis.com/... or maps.expedia.com, and put in your address and 1600 Cedar, St Paul 55110-4605. (Map © GDT, Inc., Vicinity Corporation.)



### President's Corner

by Jim Bowden

Spring is just around the corner as we approach the most important time of the year to prepare our dogs for the Spring Hunt Tests. Check your UKC magazine for Hunt dates and get your premiums mailed in early because entries are limited to first come, first serve.



I know several of our members have dogs entered at WISILL and Fox River Valley's Hunts on April 22nd and 23rd.



I am now in the fourth week of the "Conditioned Retrieve" program with my new puppy, "Charlie's Raisin' Cindy" and have my hands full. She is now picking up the dummy off the table and just started to teach the "Hold" and "Carry" commands with a dead, frozen pigeon. Cindy is just four months old, so this process can be started early. She is on the table about 30 minutes every night. If any of you have young pups and need instructions on how to begin call me and come over to observe.

Our club's Spring Hunts are shaping up with all judges in place, poppers bought, Kelley Farm reserved, etc. Call Wade Samson, Hunt Chairman, at 612-682-0960 to volunteer. I know he needs bird technicians at each site to throw birds. June 10th and 11th are the dates, setup June 9th.

See you at Saturday morning training days – call Chad Peterson at 651-292-9668 for site and time.

# Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club Information Officers

President	Jim Bowden 651-462-1324
Vice-President	Randy Gustafson 651-642-9694
Secretary	Lana Gunsell 651-487-1203
Treasurer	Mark Switzer 651-429-7651

Board Members

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# Raffle 2000 Update

A fund-raising raffle will once again be a feature of our back-to-back June Hunt Tests. The Special Raffle prize will be a Tri-Tronics Flyway Special Training Collar. Advance ticket sales for this prize will begin in April, with all members receiving five tickets to sell. This format worked quite well for the shotgun last year and the club is hoping for similar success (new gun laws make shotguns a difficult raffle prize item this year).

Our "At The Hunt Raffle" will also be held, assuming that items can be found from our generous donors! If each member could come up with one item we would have a good raffle table – and if we all found two items it would be huge! If you have an item sitting around the house or shop that seemed really nice at the time you acquired it but never made it far out of the box it could be perfect for the raffle table. If you could ask the sporting goods, dog, hunting, fishing businesses you frequent for a donated item, that would be great too!

Look for more information from our Raffle 2000 Coordinator/s in the near future.

# January 2000 Meeting Minutes

Abridged from Minutes to be submitted by Lana Gunsell, LLHRC Secretary

Club meeting, 12/18/2000 at Blue Fox Inn, Shoreview, MN, called to order at 7:00 pm by Pres Jim Bowden.

Attendance: Steve Anderson, Jim Bowden, Mark Ekeroth, Lana Gunsell, Randy Gustafson, Scott Krumm, Mike Kuehne, Tom Montez, Jamie Petersen, Chad Peterson, Wade Samson, Steven Scherber, Susan Scherber, Mark Switzer and Ed Victory.

Secretary's Report: Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Approved. Many expense items for 2000 already paid. Account Balance: \$1,116.57.

Old Business: The June Hunt Test: dates (6-10/6-11) have been approved; formal applications to HRC Inc submitted; Kelley Farms reservation confirmed; Stillwater Vet Clinic in place; Lana will send letter to inform MN DNR. Jim Bowden presented issue of LLHRC needing to work toward gaining more licensed judges from Minnesota membership. Following discussion started by Jim B on imprinted duck leg bands, motion made (Lana G) and carried to purchase a bulk quantity and that one band be given to each "handler" at the Hunt Test.

**New Business:** 

New Board Member elected: Chad Peterson replaces Shane Olean who moved to Sioux Falls, SD.

Forest Lake July 4th Parade: value of participation discussed, item was tabled until the next meeting.

Ducks Unlimited Barn Shoot Fundraiser to be held March 7. Dog/Handler teams still needed. Registration form circulated.

Game Fair 2000: Application to participate received. Jim B completed and returned forms. Dates are Fri, Sat & Sun, Aug 10,11,12 & 17,18,19. Ed Victory will be coordinating volunteers to cover booth and activities.

Land Search: Lana and Jim noted significantly less land is available each year for training, both private and public. LLHRC members are on lookout for land to train and event on in the TC area, the club may want to consider purchasing or leasing appropriate land as a goal. Examples of Henn Co Amateur Ret and Central MN Ret Club were discussed in a positive light.

Hunt Test details: Chair, Wade Samson; Secretary, Mark Switzer; Site Marshals Steve Anderson, Started; Jamie Petersen, Seasoned; Ed Victory, Finished.

Equipment Trailer: discussion on need for 10' covered trailer led by Jim B.

Training: Chad Peterson agreed to head up Club invited practice at 9 am each Saturday, when possible. Chad requested that we include training needs and expectations in the membership survey. Jim B. offered Club members his home for practice where he has plowed "T" pattern on the lake.

Web Site: Chad P. noted we're getting lots of hits. Requests photos from members to post on site.

Junior Handlers: Ed Victory asked Club to think about acknowledging Junior Handlers at our events.

Move to Adjourn, Ed V. at 8:30, second by Mark Switzer.

#### 2000 Membership Renewal News

Thank You to the following members who have renewed their LLHRC membership: Jim & Sharon Bowden Tracy Danby Joseph Davis John A. Davis Roger Davis Mark Ekeroth\* Sara Grachek Lana Gunsell Randy Gustafson Biran Keoh Linda Kiev Scott Krumm Mary Leonard Scott Morneau Thomas Montez Dale Nelson Troy Osborn Mike Paupore James Petersen Daniel Ross Wade Steven & Susan Scherber\* Marc Seniem Mark & Theresa Switzer Samson \*=new member Ed & Ellen Victory Paul Zelisko Your club is what you and all members make it to be when we participate in the many activities available surrounding our time spent training and testing our retrievers to perform in an actual hunting environment. The promotional types are saying that "we are in the era of the hunting retriever." HRC is working to keep the focus on retriever breeds for what they were created for - hunting. True-to-life training and testing in a program where hunter helps hunter. Land Of Lakes HRC Club Dues are renewable in January of each year. Annual dues are \$15.00 for individual membership, and \$20.00 for family membership. Thank you for being a member of the Land Of Lakes Hunter Retriever Club! 2000 Membership Renewal Information Address City \_\_\_\_\_St \_\_\_\_Zip \_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Individual Membership ☐ Family Membership Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ **LLHRC** \$15 LLHRC \$20 National\* \$25 National\* \$30 Total Total HRC Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Make check payable to: LLHRC (\*if not current National member) 2000 Membership Canine Survey (Look for expanded information in the 2000 LLHRC Member Directory, and possibly some newsletter stories resulting from this survey - editor) UKC # \_\_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Titles Earned (highlight 1999) Training needs from club \_\_\_\_\_\_ 1999 Ancedotes

Mail to: Mark Switzer, LLHRC Treasurer 2766 Riviera Drive South

Please return this form with your membership dues check.

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## Three Hunt Tests Scheduled for 2000

LLHRC will be holding three licensed HRC Hunt Tests this year.

In June we will offer two tests back to back on the weekend of June 10 and 11 at Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix. The club will also hold a test on Saturday Sept 9th.

Planning for these events is underway and volunteers are being sought to help make these hunts as successful as our past ones. Please step forward and contact a Hunt Committee member (Wade Samson, Chair 612-682-0960) or a Club Officer and volunteer your talents.



## Hunt Test Results

Congratulations to LLHRC members who have earned passes at Hunt Tests are posted in this column. Please keep your newsletter editor informed

of your dog's successes!

We'll even report on your efforts at AKC and NAHRA events so don't hide your light under a basket.

#### Area Dog Event Calendar

Here's listing of events that our newsletter editor has been made aware of:

UKC HRC Judges & Handlers Seminars: 3-25-00 BONG Recreation Area, Kenosha WI, Mike Witt 414-862-2882

UKC/HRC Hunts:
3-25-00 Gun Creek HRC, DuQuoin
IL, Kevin Attebery 612-542-8409
4-8-00 Central Michigan HRC, Flint
MI, Kurt Dunn, 517-625-5748
4-9-00 St. Clair Flats HRC,
Davidson MI, Don WIlliams, 810-7922141
4-15-00 Platte River HRC, North
Platte NE, Blake & Marcia Frazier, 308532-2507

4-22-00 Fox River Valley, Burlington WI, Tony Reeves, 815-337-8540
4-23-00 WISILL HRC, Burlington WI, Tony Reeves, 815-337-8540

5-27/28-00 Big Wapsie HRC, Tripoli IA, Mike Judas, 319-233-1158
6-10/11-00 Land of Lakes HRC, Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix, MN, Mark Switzer

9-9-00 LLHRC, Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix, MN. Hunt Sec: Mark Switzer

AKC Judges & Handlers Seminars: 3-25-00 Northern Flytes HRC, Hudson WI, Susan Scherer 715-246-2467

AKC hunt tests:

5-20/22-00 Rice Creek Hunt Club, Little Falls, MN 6-3/4-00 Northern Flytes HRC, Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix, MN 6-1718-00 Central MN Ret Club, Sauk Rapids, MN

#### NAHRA hunt tests:

AKC licensed trials:
5-12/14-00 Henn County Amateur
Retriever Club, Princeton, MN
5-19/21-00 MN Field Trial Assn, Kelley
Farms, Marine on St. Croix, MN

#### Newsletter Items Wanted!

A newsletter is only as good as the contents. Share your hunting experiences! Your reports can be as simple as Grouse flushes and successes and where you were hunting. Or a report from the duck blind. Send in your stories and they'll get published. To be included in the next issue mail your item to Randy Gustafson, 1775 St. Marys St., Falcon Heights MN 55113,or via email: copyright@ismn.net.

#### FOR SALE- WANT TO BUY?!

WANTED - Used Snow Goose Decoys. Contact Chad Peterson, 651-292-9668

WANTED - 8to12 foot covered trailer for storage and hauling of dog club training and field trial equipment. Contact Jim Bowden, President Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club, 651-462-1324.

WANTED - Used Remington 870 12 ga shotguns in serviceable condition could use 3 to 5 for LLHRC Hunt Tests. Up to \$100.

WANTED - Training area. 20 acres plus within an hour of metro area for LLHRC, lease with purchase option potential.

651-429-7651

If you have something for sale, for trade, or want to buy, this newsletter offers free space to get it done! Send your items, description and phone number (or way to have buyers contact you) to Randy Gustafson, Editor.