



LAND OF LAKES HRC Retriever News



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Calendar of Events 2003

(subject to change)

- January 11** - Annual Meeting, Potluck Dinner
Sunshine Kennels, New Richmond, WI
- February 4** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- February 8** - HRC Judges Seminar
Forest Ridge Hunt Club, Glenwood City, WI
- February 9** - Upland Hunt Tests
Forest Ridge Hunt Club, Glenwood City, WI
- March 4** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- April 1** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- May 6** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Preparations for Spring Hunt Tests. Site: tba
- May 9-11** - Hunt Tests Kelley Farms
Marine on St. Croix, Minnesota
- June 3** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- July 1** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- August 5** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- Sept 2** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Preparations for Fall Hunt Tests. Site: tba
- September 5-7** - Hunt Tests Kelley Farms
Marine on St. Croix, Minnesota
- October 7** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- November 4** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake
- December 2** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start
Holiday House, White Bear Lake

Training Days - First & Third Saturdays
Various Locations around the area.

Game Fair - Two weekends in August
details to follow closer to event

Fun Hunt - sometime during the summer
details to follow closer to event

LLHRC information is available and updated on the web thanks to Chad Peterson. Visit the club web site at: www.llhrc.org
Our schedule of events during the year will be posted on the web site, as best as possible.

Annual Meeting & Potluck Dinner! Saturday, January 11, 2003! Scherber's Home • New Richmond, WI

It's time to elect new officers and show off your culinary skills. The annual meeting and potluck dinner is upon us. Susan and Steve Scherber have offered to host the event in their new building at Sunshine Kennels. The event will run from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Members should bring their own beverage and one dish to share. In past years this has been an opportunity for members to share their wild game recipes. The address is 1374 Highway 65, New Richmond Wisconsin. Phone: 715-246-2467

Judges & Handlers Seminar Saturday, February 8, 2003

LLHRC is hosting an HRC Judges and Handlers Seminar on Saturday, Feb 8, 2003. The location is Forest Ridge Hunt Club in Glenwood City, Wisconsin (between New Richmond and Menomonie). The seminar will be put on by HRC Region 8 Field Representative Mike Witt and is open to all HRC members. The only cost for attending is a nominal \$10 cost for lunch and snacks.

The Seminar covers the HRC Running Rules and Philosophies. All judges are required to attend a Seminar every three years to maintain their license status. The Seminar is also helpful to handlers to get a better understanding of the HRC hunt test program.

If you are interested in attending contact a Board member. All are encouraged and welcomed to attend!

Preliminary & Licensed Upland Hunt Tests! Sunday, February 9, 2003

LLHRC is holding our first Upland Hunt Tests!!! The tests will be held on Sunday, Feb 9, 2003, starting at 8:00 a.m. The location is Forest Ridge Hunt Club in Glenwood City, Wisconsin (between New Richmond and Menomonie). Since an Upland Test moves quickly a club is able to

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Club Hats

Club hats are still available for only \$15.

Contact Mark Switzer at the next Club Meeting.

All proceeds go into Equipment Acquisition Fund.

Newsletter Items Wanted!

Share your hunting or training experiences! Your reports can be as simple as announcing a new puppy has joined the family. Send in your stories and they'll get published.

To be included in the next issue mail your item to Randy or via email: news@llhrc.org.

Test Results!



Even in December we had LLHRC members out traveling, testing, and getting to know retriever people around the country!

Jim Bowden and HRCH Charlie's Raisin' Cindy (Cindy) earned two finished passes at the Central Floria HRC tests in December. (Retirement has its advantages!)

Keep your editor informed on how your work has paid off in ribbons! Get your share of fame and glory, or at least see your name in the newsletter!

Club Meeting Minutes

DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Membership Meeting, 12-3-02, at Holiday House Restaurant White Bear Lake MN, called to order by President Randy Gustafson. Attendance: Randy Gustafson, Linda Kiey, Greg Larson, Tom Montez, Jim Nelson, Dennis Riebe, Wade Samson, Steve Scherber, Susan Scherber, Eric Todd.

STANDING REPORTS

Minutes from June meeting approved.

Treasurer Mark Switzer (via Randy) provided a detailed itemized list of income and expenses. Current balance is \$2983.55. November income was \$386.17 and expenses were \$346.82. Fall Hunt final numbers were: income of \$6802.17, expenses of \$5104.20 providing a profit of \$1697.97.

No report from Vice President or Board of Directors

President report - members urged newsletter editor to start publishing newsletter via email or the web to save postage and printing costs.

MEMBERSHIP. 56 paid members as of 12-2-02, Patty Raymond joined in November.

UPLAND HUNT TEST preparation plans discussed. Mark Switzer will serve as Hunt Secretary, Randy Gustafson as Hunt Marshall. Wade Samson and Jim Bowden will be grandfathered as judges. The hunt committee will be Dennis Riebe, Susan Scherber, Eric Todd, Tom Montez and Greg Larson.

HRC JUDGES SEMINAR. Same site as Upland Tests - Forest Ridge Hunt Club in Glenwood City, Wisconsin. Cost will be \$10 to cover lunch expenses. Susan Scherber and Yvonne Riebe will plan the lunch and snacks. Seminar will be held on Saturday 2-8-03. The event is listed on the HRC web site calendar of events.

SPRING AND FALL HUNTS: Plans were reviewed. Spring Hunt will be May 10 & 11. Wade will be Marshall Saturday, Jim Bowden on Sunday. Site Marshalls for both days will be Randy Cook at Started, Scott Krumm at Seasoned and Tom Montez at Finished. Greg Larson will be Started Apprentice Judge. Fall Hunt will be September 6 & 7. Wade will Marshall on Saturday and Greg Larson on Sunday. Mark Switzer will serve as Hunt Secretary for both Spring and Fall.

GAME FAIR. Greg Larson will send in the paperwork to reserve a booth. Looking for enough single day volunteers to continue our presence.

TRAINING DAYS. There was discussion on the training season agenda. A coordinator is needed for the upcoming term. Having a single central site during winter drill training (perhaps at Jim's) was discussed. Then breaking into two training groups in the spring for travel convenience was proposed. One would go to Al's and the other closer to South St. Paul with Greg. A single training agenda would be used for both sites. Greg & Wade will work out a proposed training schedule. It will need to be published shortly to get going in January.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Motion to adjourn at 8:45pm - approved.

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offer two hunts in one day. Our Preliminary Upland Hunt Test will start at 9:00 am and the Licensed Upland Test will start at 9:45 am.

This will be our first venture into this popular testing program. Given the strong upland hunting heritage of our area this could prove to be fun and well attended in the future.

To sum up the HRC description: the Upland Game Test consists of a simulated walk-up hunt, a quartering test, and an optional tracking test. The Upland hunting dog must be steady to wing and shot. Honoring of another hunting game dog is required. During this test the hunting game dog will be required to locate and retrieve game as the Judges shall direct.

The running rules are in your HRC Rule Books and available from the national HRC web site.

Dakota HRC

A new HRC in South Dakota is soon to join the family! Shane Olean (founding VP of LLHRC) reports that Dakota HRC has sent in their paperwork and is up and running. Club members have been holding regular training days twice a month for a while now. Dakota HRC is hoping to hold their Preliminary Hunt Test as soon as early summer 2003.

With HRC clubs in the Dakotas and in the Twin Cities we now need to get the word out to retriever people in the southern half of Minnesota about the program and we should see some real potential for growth and closer hunt test sites for Minnesota handlers.

Membership Renewals

Membership in the Land of Lakes HRC runs the calendar year. Local dues remain at \$20 per year. Please send in your renewal form soon. If you joined at Game Fair or the Fall Hunt Test your membership is good for all of this year.

New Officers

A changing of the guard has taken place. Every two years the Land of Lakes HRC has to elect new officers. Serving the terms for 2003 and 2004 calendar years will be Wade Samson, President; Mark Switzer, Vice-President, Pat Gysbers, Secretary; Randy Gustafson,

Treasurer; Directors are Jim Bowden, Greg Larson, Tom Montez and Susan Scherber. These folks are veteran active members so you'll be seeing familiar faces in new roles.

The Board encourages everyone to get involved in as many club activities and roles as they feel comfortable doing. The more people the better! Thanks go out to our past officers for the work they've done.

Spring Hunt - May 10-11 Fall Hunt - Sept 6 & 7

Once again the Land of Lakes HRC will be offering hunters the opportunity to prove that they and their retrievers are ready for hunting season.

We have been approved for two Regular Hunts to be held back to back on the weekend of May 10 & 11, and two Regular Hunts to be held back to back on the weekend of September 6 & 7, 2003, at Kelley Land and Cattle Company in Marine on St. Croix, Minnesota.

Plan now to register to run your dog/s in a test on one or both weekends.

There are many volunteer opportunities at a Hunt Test. The action filled weekend starts Friday at noon when we start setting up the tests and continues through Sunday when it all gets cleaned up and packed up.

Your Hunt Committee will be calling on members to pitch in and make these events work. The more hands the easier the work.

It is amazing how all the details seem to be overwhelming one day and then minor the next when this great group of folks pitches in and simply gets the job done. Our past Hunts have been great because of the contributions of many people who volunteered their time and talents to make it work.

Here are some contact numbers: Randy Gustafson (651-642-9694); Mark Ekeroth (651-762-9201), Greg Larson (651-458-5166), Tom Montez (651-731-0618), Scott Krumm (763-84-4323) and Wade Samson (763-682-0962). Give one of them a call and volunteer! Thanks!

Thanks for your time and efforts to make the LLHRC a great retriever club!



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Saturday, January 11, 2003
Judges & Handler Seminar
Saturday, February 8, 2003
Preliminary Upland Hunt - Sun 2-9-03**

Area Dog Event Calendar

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

UKC/HRC Licensed Hunts Upland:

2-9-03 Land of Lakes HRC,
Preliminary, Forest Ridge Hunt Club,
Glenwood City WI, Mark Switzer, 651-
429-7651, switzerllhrc@hotmail.com
2-23/24-03 WISILL HRC Upland Tests
(4), Bong Rec, Kansasville WI, Roger
Davis, 262-694-5989
3-2-03 Illinois River HRC, Banner
Marsh IL, Patty Munson, 309-263-7892,
chain@mtco.com
3-8/9-03 Eastern Iowa HRA, loc tba,
steve-bullard@uiowa.edu
3-15-03 Badger State HRC, Eagle
WI, Bruce Bolivar, 414-744-6217,
thatdogcanhunt@aol.com

UKC/HRC Licensed Hunts Regular:

3-29/30-03 Gun Creek HRC, Benton IL,
srcutsinger@hcis.net

4- 5/6-03 Retrievers Unlimited HRC,
New Athens IL, 618-939-8486,
debwest@htc.net
4-12/13-03 Mississippi Flyway HRC, tba
IL, ackmans@hcil.net
5-3/4-03 Mississippi Valley HRC,
Victoria IL, Mike Peal, 309-792-5659,
mgbotts@aol.com
5-10/11-03 LLHRC, Kelley Farms, Marine
on St. Croix, MN. Hunt Sec: Mark Switzer
5-17/18-03 Eastern Iowa HRA, tba IA,
steven-bullard@uiowa.edu
5-31/6-01-03 Illinois River HRC, Banner
Marsh IL, Patty Monson, 309-263-7892,
munspaa@mortonpotters.org
9-6/7-03 LLHRC, Kelley Farms, Marine
on St. Croix, MN. Hunt Sec: Mark Switzer

AKC Hunt Tests:

5-3/4-03 Lake Country Ret Club,

Prior Lake MN, Randy Herman / Julie
Orr, 507-744-4207

5-31/6-1-03 Northern Flight, Kelley L&C,
MN Steve Scherber 715-246-2467
8-23/24-03 Northern Flight, Kelley
Farms, Steve Scherber 715-246-2467

NAHRA Hunt Tests:

AKC Informal Trials :

AKC Licensed Field Trials:

Other:

2-8-03 HRC Judge & Handler
Seminar LLHRC, Forest Ridge Hunt
Club, Glenwood City WI 9 am Start

Check www.llhrc.org for additional links
and schedules of events of interest.

FOR SALE- WANT TO BUY?!

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, email: news@llhrc.org.