

Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club

December 2007 Newsletter

Annual Awards Banquet and Wild Game Potluck: Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club will be holding their annual Awards Banquet and Wild Game Feed at the Hugo Fire Hall on January 5, 2008. The address is 5323 140th Street North, Hugo. Doors open at 5:00 pm with the Wild Game Feed beginning at 6:00 pm. Bring your favorite Wild Game recipe to share and impress your friends. **Also, if you and your dog attained any HRC titles in 2007, let Mark Switzer know by 16Dec07 via e-mail or phone.** He needs the information to plan ahead for the awards ceremony. We hope to see everyone at this event, as it is always an excellent time with good hunting stories being shared. No one goes away hungry!!!

Upland Hunt Test Plans: Plans have been made to host an Upland Hunt Test on February 2 at Rocky Bay Hunting Club. There is no way that we can top last year's exciting test with 20 below zero weather.....but you never know. We are limited to 25 entries per test, so plan on registering early. Remember that you can run in both tests on Saturday. A pass for each test will give you 10 points per pass toward your glorious Upland Title. Entry forms are available on the website. Also, remember that we are always looking for helpers to plant birds and/or shoot. **Contact Greg Larson if you can help.** Rocky Bay will be serving lunch on the grounds.

Training: Our Training Season will be kicking off in January with three Saturdays planned at Rock Bay Hunting Club for Upland training. January 12, 19, and 26 are firmed up, so come out for some training in preparation for the Upland Hunt. Bird prices are reasonable, and we usually have a good turnout. Your dog will need to learn to do a walk up, be steady to shot, and honor another retriever. **Contact Jeff Kolanski for any questions on training plans.** Information will also be on the website.

Season's Greetings: This has been a great year for Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club with many accomplishments among our members. We held two regular hunts and an upland hunt in 2007. We attended Game Fair in Anoka again and also the National Meeting in Memphis. We had members running and judging at tests throughout the Midwest, and we also had participants in the Grand Hunt Test again this year. It is always great to see a group of people that have common interests with Hunting Retrievers become friends through training, hunting, and socializing together during the year. **It is with the effort and active participation from each of you that makes this club a success and to continue to thrive in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Happy Holidays to you and your families.**

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