



Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club

HRC—Conceived by Hunters for Hunters

December 2010

Upcoming Events

- Dec07 LLHRC Meeting
- Jan 02 Upland Training Rocky Bay Hunt Club
- Jan 08 Upland Training Rocky Bay Hunt Club
- Jan 08 LLHRC Awards Banquet Pot Luck Dinner
- Jan 15 Upland Training Rocky Bay Hunt Club
- Jan 22 Upland Training Rocky Bay Hunt Club
- Feb 05 Upland Hunt Test Rocky Bay Hunt Club

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Message From Your President

I would like to thank each of you for a great year in 2010, and for the privilege of serving you and our club as President these past four years. It is now time to elect new officers for the upcoming two years of our club. The Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club has grown into a strong, vibrant organization since our humble beginnings in 1995. It has been a pleasure to see active members working together for common goals of promoting hunting retrievers, the hunting heritage and training to help our dogs get better at what they were born to do. Active members is the key to our clubs success, it makes us stronger and able to handle the challenges along the way. I thank each of you for your contributions and volunteering for club tasks that take time and effort from each of you. I hope that I will see you at the December 7 or January 4th Club Meeting at the Gander Mountain in Blaine,

or at the Upland Training days at Rocky Bay on January 2nd 2011 and at the Upland Test on February 5th 2011.

Sincerely,
Mark Switzer



Club Membership

Club Membership is \$35.00 a year. Renewals run January through December of said calendar year. Your membership fee covers Club insurance, property rental fees, training equipment and the Club newsletter mailed out BI-Monthly.

Remember the more you put into your retriever and your club, the more you will benefit.

Meeting Minutes - November 9, 2010 Gander Mountain—Blaine



Attendees: Mark Switzer, Scott Krumm, Mitch LeBard, Wade Samson, George Billiar, Dennis Riebe, Jeff Kolanski, Jason Siverson, Ed Puumala

Called to order @ 6:34pm

- Motion to accept minutes from 10-5-10 meeting by Jeff / Mitch
- **Treasurer report:** Submitted by Scott \$8035.37, accepted by Dennis/ Jason
- **President report:** Mark will follow up with Randy

Gustafson regarding judges books. George Billiar needs help with Game Fair; Ed stepped up and volunteered. George needs to send in contract for LLHRC to appear at Game Fair.

- **VP report** - not present
- **Board** - no report
- **New Business:** Membership renewals sent out this week by Mark (including election ballots and title info from 2010). Jason

and Mark were going to get together to discuss bull dog award winner 2010

- **Newsletter:** Wade as busy hunting & too lazy, the December issue is only 1/2 complete. Mitch will take over newsletter & HRC magazine.
- **Adjourned** at 6:57pm accepted by Mitch/Jeff
- **Submitted by:** Substitute, substitute secretary Jeff on behalf of Chris Benz, Pat Gysbers, and Cindy Lindemer!

General Training Tips - Crate Training

Crate training is the most misunderstood training technique a new dog owner faces today. Like most things in life, people often criticize what they don't understand. Many people have a misconception about what crate training is or what it is not." This month we attempt to give you some simple rules that you can begin using today to make the process of crate training easy and create a "domestic den" for your dog.

When done properly, crate training offers dog owners two valuable benefits. First, the crate becomes the place your dog can call home. Second, crate training can considerably speed up the housebreak process.

Rules to live by when crate training

- The crate should never be used to punish your dog.
- Keep the introduction to the crate short and sweet. Let the dog get comfortable with the crate before attempting to close the door on him. Once you close the door, reward him with praise and/or a treat. Keep the first few sessions with the door shut short. Ten seconds without crying is what you're striving for. Open the door and give him lots of love and praise. Slowly, and I mean slowly, increase the time with the door shut.
- Select the proper size crate for your dog. If you buy a crate that is large enough to accommodate him when he is full-sized, block off an area inside the crate to make it just large enough for him to stand up and turn around. Making it too large will allow him to soil one area and live in the other.
- Pick up your dog's water 3-4 hours before putting him up for the night.
- Allow your dog to eliminate completely prior to being put up for the night.
- Take him outside immediately upon letting him out of the crate. With puppies, you may have to carry them outside to avoid accidents.
- Let him naturally find the crate in your kitchen, living room or wherever you decide the crate will reside. Make sure you place the crate in an area well circulated, free of drafts, and out of direct sunlight. Placing food in the back of the crate will encourage your pet to explore and enter this new area.
- Never let your dog out of the crate if he is crying.
- Have a vigorous play session before going to bed.
- An undergarment or a ticking alarm clock can comfort a new puppy during his first few nights away from his littermates.
- Never disturb your dog when he seeks solitude in his crate. Remember this is his domestic den and like you, he needs valuable time alone.
- Finally, be patient and committed to the process.



Club Training News

Our upland training sessions will be held at Rocky Bay Hunt Club again this year. Training starts and 8:00 and generally runs till 12:00, everyone is welcome to attend. If you do not plan on running a dog, please come and help. We can always use setup people, gunners, and runners. Remember the more you put into your retriever and your Club, the more you will benefit.

Directions:

35 North to Hwy 70 (exit #165). Go east on Hwy 70 for five miles to Keystone Ave. Turn left (north) for one mile to 580th street. Turn right (east) for one mile to Lily street. Make a right and club house is on immediate left.

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57875 LILY AVE , PINE CITY, MN. 55063
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Up Coming Events

Please remember to turn in your ballots for candidates that are nominated for 2011-12 Officers. Please vote for them in confidence or write in an alternate member for office if you wish. Please return the ballot in the enclosed envelope before the January Potluck and Awards Ceremony on Saturday, January 8th 2011 at the Hugo Fire Hall.



January 8, 2011 from 5:00 to Midnight we are having our awards banquet and potluck dinner. All LLHRC members and their families are welcome to join us for our annual event. Lots of fun for everybody. Awards, socialization, and great meals to be shared. BYOB!!! This event will be held at the Hugo Fire Hall.

Hugo Fire Department
5323 140th St N
Hugo, MN 55038

LLHRC Officers & Board Members 2009—2010

President	Mark Switzer
Vice President	Greg Larson
Secretary	Chris Benz
Treasure	Scott Krumm
Board of Directors	Wade Samson
	Pat Gysbers
	Jason Siverson
	Jeff Kolanski
	Dennis Riebe
Training Coordinator	Jeff Kolanski
News Letter	Mitch LeBard



About Us

The Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club was started in 1996. Since then we have become the fastest growing Retriever Club in Minnesota. Over 75 members strong, LLHRC is a fun group of retriever enthusiasts, dedicated to preserving game through great dogs, and lots of fun! If you can't wait for hunting season to roll around to go hunting with your dog, or you want to learn more about training your dog to hunt and have the opportunity to compete in these events for a Hunting Retriever Championship title, then Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club is for you.



Share Your Hunting Stories or Pictures!



Whether it's waterfowl, upland, or big game, send pictures. A story or a short description to go with it would be awesome! Or hunting stories without pictures.... we know you can't have your camera with you all the time. It's a way we can stay in touch & keep up with each other's antics over the winter & keep the newsletter so members will still want to

Were on the Web at
llhrc.org

Recipe of the Month

Pheasant with Wild Rice Casserole

2 cups cooked wild rice
1 onion, finely chopped
1 cup fresh parsley, finely chopped
1 - 10 1/2 oz. can cream of mushroom soup
1/2 soup can milk
1 cup grated cheddar cheese
2 pheasants, cut in pieces
flour
shortening
paprika

Heat mushroom soup and milk. Add to wild rice, onion, and parsley. Roll pheasant in flour.
Brown in shortening. Pour rice mixture into greased casserole. Top with pheasant.

Sprinkle with paprika. Cover and bake at 350 for 1 hour

