## Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club March 2009 Newsletter

Awards and Potluck Dinner: The annual Awards and Wild Game feed took place on the evening of January 3 at the Hugo Fire Hall. The turnout was huge with kids and family members taking over the fire hall. It looks like a bumper crop of future bird throwers for the club. President Mark Switzer handed out award pins for titles earned in 2008. Dennis Becker earned a Started title with Mazzy, Alan Faust earned a Started Title with Olive, Mitch Lebard earned a Started title with Lacey, Wade Samson earned Started and HR titles with Caje, Marc Hoffman earned his HR title with Brodie, Pat Gysbers earned Started, HR, and Upland titles with Ice, Jason Siverson earned an Upland title with Jake, Bill Gennarelli earned HR and Upland titles with Rocco,m Sue Liemohn earned 500 points with Justin, and Randy Tull earned 1500 points with Remington.

**Jeff Kolanski** won the Bulldog service award for outstanding involvement in 2008.



Members Relaxing at the 2008 Wildgame Feed and Awards Banquet



President Mark Switzer and 2008 Bulldog award winner Jeff Kolanski.

**Memberships and Elections:** The club has 43 members that have renewed their membership. All Incumbent Officers were re-elected for 2009 and 2010.

<u>Training & Upland test:</u> Club training sessions for Upland hunting started up at the end of December at Rocky Bay. Attendance was excellent through December and January. The Upland hunt was held January 31 at Rocky Bay. Attendance was good with about 20 dogs in each flight. Members present did a fabulous job of planting birds, gunning, and pitching in. The Upland test was success and ended up making about \$900 for the club.

Upland training has also continued at Rocky Bay with some members into February and March, as some people are running for points with their dogs at other Upland events in the Midwest.

Jeff Kolanski has set up Club training days for spring and summer at Kelly Farm. Check the dates on the website calendar.



**Upland Training Session** 

**DNR Permit:** Don't get caught with out one. Make sure that you get your DNR permit for training your dog. A group permit is required for club training events. Jeff will make sure the club has a group permit for club training days. However, if you are training individually on Kelly Farm or other sites, you will need an individual permit for your training. You can get information from the DNR website or by calling them.

<u>Judges Test:</u> The new 2009 judges test is available on line at the HRC website. You can also see a hard copy in the latest HRC magazine.

If you have any news worthy items or successful titles that you have earned...let me know. I am always looking for news and/or photos.

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