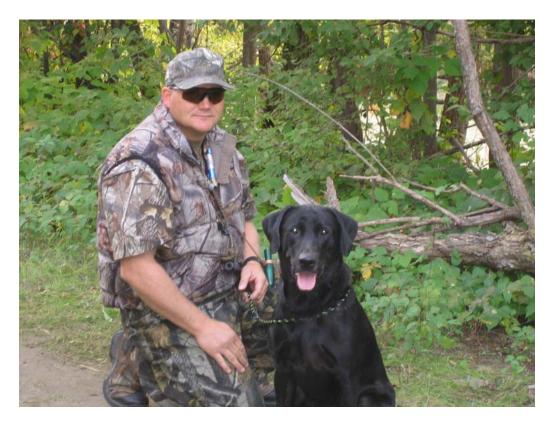
Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club November 2008 Newsletter

<u>News</u>: Congratulations to **Sue Liemohn**. She attained the 500 point level with **Justin** (**UH HRCH MHR CH Gamecr Waterway Just Plain Ol' MH WDS**) in September at the Fox River Valley HRC Hunt test. Justin is just the second American Water Spaniel to reach this level. Also, Congratulations go to **Randy Tull** who attained 1500 points with **UH HRCH Remington Dillingers Silencer** at our Fall hunt. Other titles since last Newsletter issue include **Wade Samson and Caje** getting their HR title. **Greg Larson and Splash** represented Land of Lakes at the 2008 Fall Grand. After some very good runs, they made it to the 3rd series of the Fall Grand. <u>Way to go Greg!!</u>. Congratulations to **Pat Gysbers** for getting selected to be the first Land of Lakes judge to judge at a Grand. He represented us very well at the 2008 Fall Grand.



Randy Tull and Remington with Finished Judges Jim Bowden and Chris Benz.



Greg Larson and Splash at the 2008 Fall Grand

Training & Upland: Club training sessions for Upland hunting will start up at the end of December at Rocky Bay. Check the Website Calendar for dates. We are starting earlier this year with training because the Upland Hunt Test is scheduled earlier than usual...at the end of January. The club is still looking for site Marshalls, bird planters, and gunners. Please notify Mark Switzer if you can help. Remember that the success of this club has been due to the great support and input from our membership.

<u>Memberships and Elections</u>: The club will be sending out membership renewals in December. Also, election ballots to determine the officers for the next two years will be sent out as well in December. If you wish to run for an office, let Mark Switzer know and he will put you on the ballot. Right now the incumbents are campaigning hard for their second terms.

<u>Awards and Potluck Dinner:</u> The annual Awards and Wild Game feed are planned for the evening of January 10^{th} 2009 at the Hugo Fire Hall. Start planning your recipes to show off your cooking skills to your friends. Also, if you have attained a title in the last year, let Mark Switzer know within the next week so that he can order pins.



In Memory of George Billiar's Dog Roller

Our sympathies go out to George Billiar with the loss of his older dog Roller.

Also, our sympathies go out to **Fred Read** of Fox River Valley HRC in Illinois. **His wife Alice passed away in November.** Fred had judged for Land of Lakes a number of times in the past, and Alice always came along.

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. Thanks for the great year in 2008. Attending club training and seeing the great attendance this year has been exciting. Also, seeing club members becoming good friends and doing activities outside the club is especially gratifying. On to 2009.

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