



# Steady On Point

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NAVHDA is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to foster, promote, and improve the versatile hunting dog breeds in North America; to conserve game by using well trained reliable hunting dogs before and after the shot; and to aid in prevention of cruelty to animals by discouraging nonselective and uncontrolled breeding, which produces unwanted and uncared for dogs.

## President's Message

A new year brings change to NCWNAVHDA.

Greetings to all of our NCW members, I am Jamie Kuhn and I have been elected as the new president of NCW NAVHDA Chapter. This is a privilege for me to be able to give back to the chapter in a new role after being a member for the last 13 years.

Although the faces of the board may have changed the goal is still the same, create the best versatile hunting dogs that we can for all members.

The chapter has been left to me in great shape by our last two presidents Brent Catura and Gary Engebretson. These last two presidents have been instrumental in getting the chapter to where it is today, and I thank them both!

Where do we go now? Our goal should be simple get members more involved with the training and testing days and continue to increase and keep members. We will be asking for volunteers to step up and be more active in both our training days and test days. This is beneficial to both our members and the club.

Some new decisions were made at our annual meeting to continue to make our chapter better. The biggest change is we will now be training on Saturdays starting in April. We feel this will allow more members to attend and training longer.

Also, we will be purchasing a new set of launchers for the chapter to keep our equipment in top shape.

I thank the members at the annual meeting for attending; it makes for a stronger club when all of the members are heard. I look forward for the training season.

Have thoughts of warm days ahead!

Jamie Kuhn

## Important Dates

**March 19, 1PM: New Member Orientation** hosted by Gary Engebretson. 715-457-2444, enge@tds.net

**Training dates:** April 2, April 30, May 28, June 25, July 26, August 13

Tuesdays from April to August are also reserved for training at the Mead Dog Training Grounds

**Test dates:** June 4, 5, August 26, 27, 28. *Please refrain from training the day before tests to avoid dirtying the field and interfering with set-up.*

**Dates reserved for Muddy Waters, AKC and DL-GNA** - *please respect their priority on these dates*

Training: Thursdays beginning in March (Muddy Waters)

Tests including set up day: July 1-3 (AKC hunt test), August 4-7 (Muddy Waters hunt test), August 18-21 (AKC field trial), September 2-4 (DL-GNA VGP test)

## Chapter Highlights

**Handler of the Year 2015** was presented to Dillon Grose by Kelly Tatroe. Kelly sited Dillon's hard work, good questions, and persistence in working with his strong-willed dog. Dillon thanked the chapter members for their help.

**Dog of the Year 2015** was presented to Firebird's Lucky Nina by Gary Nilsen. Gary sited her near miss by one point at in the 2014 Invitational, requalification just days after, and success in 2015.

## Membership Information – remember to renew if you haven't already!

### ***NAVHDA International***

\$60 new and renewal

\$83.50 special package includes dues, training book and CD, NAVHDA Aims, Programs and Test Rules booklet, decal

\$30 spouse

\$30 junior (up to 16 years)

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### ***NCWNAVHDA***

You must be a member of NAVHDA International to join NCWNAVHDA chapter

\$25 new and renewal January-December

\$5 spouse

\$5 each additional family member

\$5 additional fee if no e-mail address to cover newsletter mailing expense

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## Bird Orders

**Birds must be ordered at least 14 days before training day. Bird orders must be picked up by 8:30AM on training day or will be released for sale.**

Pigeons, Quail, Chuckers [jlass@pointschools.net](mailto:jlass@pointschools.net), 715-341-9903

Ducks [brcatuara@gmail.com](mailto:brcatuara@gmail.com)

## Bird Pick Up Volunteers

Please consider volunteering to pick up chukars the day before training or test days, particularly if you live near Wisconsin Rapids.

## Lunch Volunteers

Please consider signing up to bring the main course and serve lunch for a training or test day. Your expenses will be reimbursed and all other items are provided. Jill Colloton, 715-573-9641 or [ultrasoundcow@gmail.com](mailto:ultrasoundcow@gmail.com), can answer any questions. If no one volunteers for a given day no lunch will be served.

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