



# LAND OF LAKES HRC Retriever News



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Club Newsletter Special Supplement

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## Election of Club Officers

The LLHRC bylaws call for the election of Officers every two years. The election in January 2001 are for terms from January 2001 to January 2003.

Ballots are included in this mailing being sent to all members, please return them to Mark Switzer by January 17, 2001.

## Calendar of Events 2001

(subject to change)

**Winter-** 1st & 3rd Saturday Mornings informal training 10 am start. On the lake at Jim Bowden's home in Forest Lake.

**January 20** - Potluck Game Feed & Club Mtg

2:00 pm dog events & outdoor fun

5:00 pm +/- hospitality / food

**February 6** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**March 6** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**April 3** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**May 1** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Preparations for Spring Hunt Tests. Site: tba

**May 12-13** - LLHRC Hunt Test - Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix

**June 5** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**August 7** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**August 10-11-12** - Game Fair

**August 17-18-19** - Game Fair

Armstrong Ranch, Anoka MN

**Sept 4** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Preparations for Fall Hunt Tests. Site: tba

**September 8-9** - LLHRC Hunt Tests

Kelley Farms, Marine on St. Croix

**October 2** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**November 6** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

**December 4** - Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. start

Holiday House, White Bear Lake

LLHRC is available and updated on the web thanks to Chad Peterson. Visit the site at <http://www.pconline.com/~chad/lohrc> Our schedule of events during the year will be posted on the website, as best as possible.

## Pot Luck Game Feed • January 20, 2001

On Saturday, 1-20-01, LLHRC will hold a potluck featuring game dishes at the home of Jim & Sharon Bowden, 8442 Itasca Court, Forest Lake, MN. This will be an opportunity to show off culinary talents featuring the prowess and successes of members trips afield.

Full details from the event coordinators, Jim Bowden, Tom Montez & Mark Switzer, are being worked on. *(Editor's Note: Never a group to allow the details to get in the way – a RSVP form is being included with election ballot and renewal statement mailing.)*

Initial plans included a 2:00 pm start for outdoor activities that might include some dog events, broomball on the lake, ice fishing and more. Then the potluck would begin at 5:00 pm. Members not having a game dish to share could bring wine, bread, or a side dish. Bring out those recipes that show off the bounty in your freezer. The Montez family is reportedly bringing pheasants Mexican Style!

We'll be announcing the club election results at the Potluck Game Feed too. *Hopefully, the recount will be certified.*

## 2001 Hunt Test Dates Approved by HRC.

**The LLHRC has been given approval to hold four HRC/UKC Licensed Hunt Tests in 2001.**

We will hold two tests back to back on the weekends of May 12-13 and September 8-9. These dates were available from all the key players – the site (Kelley Farms), UKC/HRC, local tourism events for hotel space – though the May date does coincide with Mother's Day and Minnesota Fishing Opener.

At the December Meeting the following people agreed to serve on the Hunt Test Committee: Wade Samson (Chair on Sat, Judge on Sun), Randy Gustafson (Chair on Sun), Norm Peterson, Mark Ekeroth, Tom Montez and Mark Switzer will serve as Hunt Test Secretary. Please consider stepping forward to volunteer in some capacity to help make this event as successful as our previous Hunt Tests. The mantra "many hands make light work" still holds true.

### News items appearing in the next full issue of LLHRC News:

Game Fair Demonstration Photos • Pheasant Hunt at Mission Creek

Recipes for pheasant • Meeting Minutes (highlights for sure)

Treasury Report (as of 12-5-00 we have \$1,180.61)

News on possible new HRC Clubs forming in Brainerd and Duluth

Lana's Hunt Test journey thru KY, TN, GA, MO, IL, IN this fall

**& Much More!**

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# News Bits & Information

## LLHRC Acquires Equipment Trailer

Thanks to the hard work and persistence of Jim Bowden, Lana Gunsell and others; the timing and cooperation of Northern Flytes HRC; and the donation of new club hats by Paul Zelisko that in turn generated the money from hat sales to members: the LLHRC is now proud to own its very own covered trailer to store and transport club equipment to and from Hunt Tests and Training Days.

LLHRC purchased the used trailer from Northern Flytes after their August Test when NF moved up to a larger unit. LLHRC used it for our September Hunt where it proved to be everything hoped to be. Wade Samson has agreed to store the unit and will be working on adding shelving and racks to meet specific club needs. Future needs will include adding promotional graphics.

## Food Trailer to appear at LLHRC Hunt Tests

A full fledged food preparation concession trailer will now be in service at LLHRC Hunt Tests in 2001 and beyond thanks to Mark Switzer. Mark's friend is giving us full use in trade for storage, which he coordinated with Steve & Susan Scherber, so Northern Flytes will share too!

The unit features a 4' grill, coffee urn, 2 food warmers, water heater, sink & more. It runs on propane or electric if avail. With this capacity there is a great potential for fund raising. Now the club will just need someone to step forward willing to run the food concession at each of our Hunt Tests.

## Game Fair 2000

The LLHRC presence at Game Fair 2000 was quite successful. We generated nine new members during the event. Ed Victory did a great job coordinating all the volunteers and getting the booth looking really good. We had a very positive response from visitors to the booth and those attending our demonstrations.

### *Newsletter Items Wanted!*

Share your hunting or training experiences! Your reports can be as simple as announcing a new puppy has joined the family. Send in your stories and they'll get published.

To be included in the next issue mail your item to Randy Gustafson, 1775 St. Marys St., Falcon Heights MN 55113, or via email: [randy@copyrightofsnelling.com](mailto:randy@copyrightofsnelling.com).

## Club Hats

Thanks to member Paul Zelisko the LLHRC now has some great hats. These waxed cotton beauties feature a newly designed multicolored logo and a leather adjustment band to fit most sizes. A few remain from our September Hunt Test and sell for \$15, contact Jim Bowden to get yours.

## Training Days Update

Club Training Days will be getting in gear after the new year. Pending a new Training Day Coordinator, Jim Bowden has agreed to offer his yard and the lake behind it for Training Days on the first and third Saturdays each month through the winter. Lining drills and more will be done, training will start at 10:00 am, the cost to cover LLHRC insurance is \$5 per person. Jim's phone # is 651-462-1324.

## September Hunt Test a success

A full report on the Hunt Test will be included in the next full newsletter issue. While attendance wasn't as high as hoped we made money, club members earned ribbons & points, and we had a fun, safe hunt.

## Call for more family / kids involvement in club

At our October meeting Ed Victory made an appeal for finding more ways to involve more family wide participation in the club and our events. Ideas include a fun test during the lunch hour, special training and more. The Board and members in attendance agreed whole heartedly. So now we need someone to take this opportunity to heart and get it off the ground – if you agree please let a board member know!

## Puppies Available

Fred Read from Dekalb, IL, has a litter of black Lab pups born 11-8-00. Sire is HRCH Wingmaster Turk's Digger Dawg MH, a 500 point dog. Dam is Duckwater's Chena River Mudd. GRHRCH in sire's line, FC AFC MH in both lines with both OFA Good. If interested talk to Jim Bowden.

### *Land of Lakes Hunting Retriever Club Information*

#### *Officers*

President . . . . . Jim Bowden 651-462-1324  
Vice-President . . . . . Randy Gustafson 651-642-9694  
Secretary . . . . . Lana Gunsell 651-487-1203  
Treasurer . . . . . Mark Switzer 651-429-7651

#### *Board Members*

Jamie Petersen 715-262-5074 . . Ed Victory 763-425-6397  
Dinah Harlow 651-460-4008 Chad Peterson 651-292-9668

*Website* . . . . . <http://www.pconline.com/~chad/lohrc>

## FOR SALE- WANT TO BUY?!

**FOR SALE** - "Max" - Black Labrador Male, 6yrs old, Good hunter. Seasoned level pass. Contact Tom Montez, 651-731-0618

**WANTED** - Used Snow Goose Decoys. Contact Chad Peterson, 651-292-9668

**WANTED** - Used Remington 870 12 ga shotguns in serviceable condition, could use 3 to 5 for LLHRC Hunt Tests. Up to \$100.

**WANTED** - Training area. 20 acres plus within an hour of metro area for LLHRC, lease with purchase option potential.

If you have something for sale, for trade, or want to buy, this newsletter offers free space to get it done! Send your items, description and phone number (or way to have buyers contact you) to Randy Gustafson, Editor.