

## **CMRC NEWS**

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# THE NEXT CLUB MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>, AT 10AM.

CLUB MEETINGS FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 10 AM FOLLOWED BY DOG TRAINING. EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE MEETING AND PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 2020	February 2020	<u> </u>	<u>April 2020</u>
11 <sup>th</sup> – Club Meeting 19 <sup>th</sup> – Informal	1 <sup>st</sup> – Banquet 8 <sup>th</sup> – Club Meeting 16 <sup>th</sup> – Informal	14 <sup>th</sup> – Club Meeting 15 <sup>th</sup> – Informal	11 <sup>th</sup> – Club Meeting 18 <sup>th</sup> – Informal

### HAPPY NEW YEAR! WISHING YOU A PROSPERUS AND HEALTHY 2020.

### **Informal Events**

Unfortunately, the December Informal was cancelled due to COLD below zero weather. The good news is there's another Informal on January 19th! Sign up begins at 8:30 and stakes start at 9:30 am. Entry fees are \$15 for the Open, Qualifying, Hunters, Jr Hunters and Derby. The Puppy stake is only \$10. Please plan to attend...run your dog, see old friends, make new ones and volunteer! The club needs judges, bird throwers and help in the kitchen. Please contact any Board Members and them and let them know you are available to help.

### **Club Banquet Reservations**

As previously announced via email blast to club members, our CMRC Club Banquet will be held Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Eastside VFW Post 4847, located at 104 Franklin Ave NE, St. Cloud. The price of the event is only \$12 per plate and reservations are needed to plan for the quantity of dinners. Social hour starts at 5pm and the dinner begins at 6pm. Please call Sharon Sweep to reserve your place at 763-286-9452. You can also email Sharon at <a href="mailto:benicebear1969@yahoo.com">benicebear1969@yahoo.com</a> to confirm your attendance.

### <u>Club Banquet - Message from Club Member, Marlene Dingmann;</u> <u>Good Day CMRC Members!</u>

Our annual banquet and awards is fast approaching on Saturday, February 1st. I hope to see all of you there.

One of the highlights of the banquet has always been the raffle and silent auction. As much as the raffle and silent auction is a fundraiser for our club, it is also a time when the hard working members of our club can perhaps take home some swag after the many hours we have all put in hosting field trials, hunt tests, winter informal trials and other club work.

If you would like to offer any items for either the raffle or silent auction, please let me know and bring them with you to the banquet. If you would like to reach out to local businesses and donors who you have a relationship with and ask for their support of the club, I encourage you to do that as well. The assembly of prizes on the raffle and the items on the silent auction has always been the combined effort of many members of the club. I look forward to your continued support.

If you have any questions or want to reach out to me, I can be reached via email at <a href="mailto:dingmannmarlene@gmail.com">dingmannmarlene@gmail.com</a> or by call or text at 320-248-0544.

Thank you for your consideration and support of CMRC!

### Grounds Improvement Project West End Field

Phase 1 of the Project is complete! The west to east swale and various mounds completed by the excavation contractor came in substantially under the approved budget for the project. This unexpected savings propelled the plans for Phase 2 Improvement to start in the spring of 2020 earlier than expected.

Phase 2 Improvement includes the digging and creation of a pond on the North side of the field. Phase 2 will start when the ground is frozen as this is the best time for excavation of this type. Maybe some of noticed the contractors' excavation equipment on the grounds... storing the equipment on the grounds removes the road restriction issues affecting transportation of heavy equipment during the spring and potentially delaying the start of the Project.

Greg Murtha, Editor