



CMRC NEWS

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**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY
MARCH 12TH, 2022 AT 10:00 AM.**

CLUB MEETINGS FOR 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

March 2022

5th - Banquet
12th - Club Meeting
20th - Informal

April 2022

9th - Club Meeting
23rd - Super Singles Event
24th - Informal

May 2022

11th Club Meeting
26th Field Trial

June 2022

8th Club Meeting
17th Hunt Test

OUR 2022 EVENTS ARE NOW SCHEDULED!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS TO HELP AT ONE OR MORE OF THESE EVENTS!

THE SPRING FIELD TRIAL WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, MAY 26TH – SUNDAY, MAY 29TH

WE WILL HOLD AN OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE STARTING THURSDAY, A QUALIFYING STAKE STARTING FRIDAY AND AN AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE STARTING SATURDAY.

THE JUNE HUNT TEST WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, JUNE 17TH – SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH

WE WILL HOLD AN OWNER/HANDLER QUALIFYING ON FRIDAY WITH A MASTER AND DOUBLE SENIOR, DOUBLE JUNIOR STARTING ON SATURDAY.

THE SUPER RETRIEVER SERIES (SRS) EVENT WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, JULY 8TH – SUNDAY, JULY 10TH

THE JULY HUNT TEST WILL BE HELD FRIDAY JULY 29TH – SUNDAY JULY 31ST

WE WILL HOLD AN OWNER/HANDLER QUALIFYING ON FRIDAY WITH A MASTER AND DOUBLE SENIOR, DOUBLE JUNIOR STARTING ON SATURDAY.

THE SUMMER FIELD TRIAL WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH – SUNDAY AUGUST 7TH

WE WILL HOLD AN OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE STARTING THURSDAY, A QUALIFYING STAKE STARTING FRIDAY AND AN AMATEUR ALL-AGE STAKE STARTING SATURDAY.

DEADLINE FOR BANQUET RESERVATIONS IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

Please join us Saturday March 5th at the Eastside VFW Post 4847, located at 104 Franklin Ave NE, St. Cloud. Our Club Banquet is an opportunity to meet as members outside of the Club and enjoy dinner and refreshments. By tradition, we acknowledge the "High Point Dog" for each of our stakes (Puppy, Derby, Junior Hunter, Hunter, Qualifying and Open) from the previous year's Club Informal's. Raffle and silent auction items are also part of the fun. Cost is \$15 per plate and reservations are needed to plan for the quantity of dinners. Social hour starts at 5PM and the dinner begins at 6PM.

SUPER SINGLES EVENT IS APRIL 23RD.

Details coming up in next month's newsletter.

DATES FOR THE JUNIOR HUNTER SEMINAR HAVE BEEN SET!

See next page for details and get your registration in soon, as this is a popular seminar.

CENTRAL MINNESOTA RETRIEVER CLUB PRESENTS:

INTRODUCTION TO RETRIEVER HUNT TESTS

Seminar Series for New Handlers



Seminar Series for New Handlers PREPARING FOR YOUR FIRST HUNT TEST

This seminar series will introduce you and your dog to all elements of the AKC Junior, HRC Started and NAHRA Started hunt tests. We'll cover test rules and procedures, bird & gun introduction, land and water retrieves, live-flyers & training tips from judges and competitors.

To participate, dogs should be a minimum of 6 months old and solid in basic obedience (sit, stay, heel, and come).

Space is limited! For more information or to register, contact Kelsey Wehr at kelsey.wehr@gmail.com

When: 3 sessions
Saturday, April 30
Saturday, May 14
Saturday, May 21
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Where: CMRC Grounds
2232 Golden Spike Rd NE,
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

Cost: \$150*
Includes 2 live-flyers, basic
supplies & materials, field
help & instruction

**must be CMRC member. All
new members welcome!*

FEBRUARY INFORMAL RECAP

We enjoyed nice mild winter weather for our Informal on February 20th. Our thanks to everyone who worked to help make this event a success. Results are at the end of the newsletter. **PLEASE NOTE:** name spelling is dependent upon legible handwriting! Also, please volunteer to throw birds if you see an opportunity. By volunteering we can put on quality Informal events. Please see Greg Murtha or any board member about volunteering for our Informals.

Message from Gordie Schlichting, CMRC President

Happy February CMRC! Happy Valentine's Day! Happy President's Day! Happy "One Day Closer to Spring!" For those of us that are stuck in the north country for the winters, it is that time of year where we get a little stir crazy. Hope you are all doing well and keeping your sanity during these winter months. Then again, we are all retriever enthusiasts, so I use that term "sanity" a little loosely.

I want to take a moment to clarify the different membership levels at CMRC. Many of you may not be aware that we have three different classifications of amateur members within our club. They are: 1) Life, 2) Voting and 3) Associate Memberships. The club established these memberships more than ten years ago.

The Life Members pay \$1000 per member and are approved at the pleasure of the board. Once approved, they no longer pay yearly dues. We do not very often have many life membership applications come in. Life Membership was established many, many years ago to grow a substantial chunk of funding when the club had the opportunity to buy some adjoining land. The money was raised with Life Memberships, and many of those life members contributed far more than the minimum \$1000. Life Members have voting privileges and can hold an office in the club.

On the opposite end of the membership spectrum is the Associate Member. This is the "entry level" membership of CMRC. Your \$75 annual dues pay for your opportunity to use our wonderful grounds, along with the obligation to be a supportive club member. Associate Members do not have voting privileges and may not hold an office in the club nor be a member of the board.

The Voting Membership level is the same \$75 annual dues. Voting members of course have voting privileges and may hold office in the club. And when we say voting, not just voting in our annual election, but any vote the club makes, such as: whether the club should buy a new lawn mower, buy a load of gravel, dig a new pond, or reshape a field, or add another event to our calendar.

To become a voting member of the club one must have been an associate member for at least a year, have a sponsoring voting member recommend them to the board, and prepare a short letter of introduction detailing their involvement with the club and/or retrievers. The "potential" voting member makes their application to the board, or is brought to the board by their sponsor, and the board will accept or deny their request to become a voting member.

The added conditions for becoming a voting member were developed during a time when there was concern that some unscrupulous individuals might be able to get together with 20-30 others, join the club and vote to sell off the land to a developer. CMRC decided that the club should have the ability to screen potential voting member. That way, we all have a chance to get to know our voting members and make sure they have the best interest of the club in mind and are committed to the dog game.

Fortunately, I am not aware of any nefarious land and housing developers attempt to join our club, nor have I seen any member in good standing be denied the opportunity to become a voting member.

I am certain there are some of you reading this who are unaware that you are not a voting member. We are always looking for more members to take leadership positions. This club is nationally recognized for both its grounds and its events, and when more members can contribute at an active, voting level, the more equitably the burden of maintaining our high standards can be distributed. I encourage any of you that have been a member of the club for a few years and are committed to the retriever sports and to the success of CMRC, to please consider becoming a voting member. That way, you can be more involved with the club, be part of the decision-making process, and be available to become an officer or member of the club board of directors.

If you have any questions about what level of membership you are, visit with our club secretary or feel free to reach out to any one of the club officers or board members. They would be able to answer your questions. Membership levels are listed on our active membership roster.

Gordie Schlichting

FEBRUARY 20, 2022, INFORMAL RESULTS

Open Judges: Tom Koiman and Bill Berning 10 Dogs Entered

1 st – Cash	BLM	Paul Agranoff
2 nd – Brody	YLM	Jim Stang
3 rd – Ty	BLM	Steve Goetz
4 th – Annie	BLF	Chuck Beckmann
JAMS-		
RJ – Haley	BLF	Kip Dixon

Qualifying Judges: Andy Hawkinson and Chuck Beckmann 11 Dogs Entered

1 st – Dazz	YLF	Gary Anderson
2 nd – Lido	BLF	Gary Anderson
3 rd – Cash	BLM	Paul Agranoff
4 th – Dash	BLM	Todd Fuchs
JAMS-		
RJ – Stella	YLF	Dan Tongen
J – Clifford	GRM	Gordie Schlichting

Derby Judges: Steve Butler and Teri Butler 7 Dogs Entered

1 st – Finn	BLM	Savannah Stang
2 nd - Stormy	BLM	Dave Tiltan
3 rd – Taz	YLM	Steve Croteau
4 th – Yogi	YLM	Rick Konkler
JAMS-		
J – Beau	YLM	Justin Croteau
J – Charli	BLF	John Froelich

Handler
Joel Stang

Puppy Judges: Steve Butler and Teri Butler 1 Dog Entered

1 st – Finn	YLM	Jesse Henen
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Hunter Judges: Lance Lerum and Dan Jakovich 10 Dogs Entered

1 st – Charlie	BLF	John Froelich
2 nd - Ellenbee	GRF	Stu Henderson
3 rd – Sam	CLM	Darin Schadt
4 th – Stormy	BLM	Dave Tiltan
JAMS –		
J – Pearl	YLF	Paul Macher
J – Auggee	GRF	Stu Henderson
J – Beau	YLM	Justin Croteau

Junior Hunter Judges: Joel Stang and Savannah Stang

11 Dogs Entered

1 st – Yogi	YLM	Rick Konkler	-
2 nd – Echo	BLM	Todd Fuchs	
3 rd – Branch	CBRM	Lou Buesseler	
4 th – Beau	YLM	Justin Croteau	
JAMS –			
J – Trudy	GRF	Gordie Schlichting	
J - Mudd	CLF	Haley Stanger	
J – Sami	GRM	Angie Maitiene	

Debbie Russell, Editor