



# CMRC NEWS

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**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 P.M.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### July 2022

20<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
12<sup>th</sup> SRS Event  
29<sup>th</sup> Hunt Test

### August 2022

4<sup>th</sup> Field Trial  
10<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting

### September 2022

### October 2022

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## CMRC UPCOMING AKC LICENSED EVENTS

**THE SUPER RETRIEVER SERIES (SRS) EVENT WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> – THURSDAY JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

(REPOSTING FROM JANUARY NEWSLETTER):

Perhaps you have seen the SRS on television. It began several years ago as part of the ESPN Great Outdoor Games and has evolved into what it is today. The SRS is a competitive retriever event that combines aspects of field trial and hunt test scenarios along with real-world hunting abilities. CMRC, along with the Hennepin County Amateur Retriever Club, are combining efforts to host two SRS events within a week's time this summer in an effort to bring another retriever game to the area and hopefully cash in on another revenue stream.

The Club events being held today combine amateur and pro dogs into a 4 series event. The first two will be an AKC style hunt test and an AKC style field trial (in either order). Dogs are scored using the SRS point system, where a low score is good (like playing golf). After the second series is completed, the lowest scoring 12 amateur and 12 pro dogs go to the semifinals, and the running order is determined by high to low score. This series is typically done as a "Hunt Savvy" test. It's based off of a HRC style hunt test, but with many other challenging factors added to the set up and scoring. Then, the lowest scoring 6 amateur and 6 pro dogs go to the finals again with the running order being highest to lowest scores. This series is typically done as field trial set up, but with many other challenging factors added to the set up and scoring.

**\*PLEASE CONTACT STEVE GOETZE AT 612-245-9751 IF YOU CAN HELP AT THIS EVENT.\***

**THE JULY HUNT TEST WILL BE HELD FRIDAY JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY JULY 31<sup>ST</sup>**

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 4<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>**

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

# CMRC JUNE NEWS

## SPRING FIELD TRIAL RECAP:

Our first Field Trial is in the books. Congrats to all those who went home with ribbons, including our own **Bob Zilla, who won the Amateur with Champ!**

## HUNT TEST RECAP:

Our first Hunt Test of 2022 wrapped up just as the heat wave blew into town. Our thanks to all the member workers and judges who pitched in to make the event a success. Big congrats to everyone who went home with a ribbon! Some notable achievements are included in the Wags and Brags section. We ended up with very large entry both days in Juniors. It's so great to see all the young dogs getting started in this game.



Congrats to CMRC members (L-R) Tom Lane, Joel Ihnen, Judd Latham and Angie Martizna, shown here with their Junior ribbons.

## CLUB TRAINING NIGHTS ARE WEDNESDAYS STARTING AT 5:30

We've had good turnout for our club nights! It's an opportunity to meet fellow members and work in a group setting. Sometimes, test-like conditions are hard to replicate by yourself. These nights give your dogs the opportunity to work on sitting in holding blinds, being obedient around other people and dogs, as well as working on various concepts in field training.

## **Message from Gordie Schlichting, CMRC President**

Things are really starting to heat up...literally! As I am writing this message this month, the heat index according to my weather station is 101 degrees! Happy Flag Day!

I really mean things are heating up on the retriever sports calendar. By the time you read this we will have hosted two licensed AKC events here at CMRC. The grounds will be used June 25 and 26 by the Marsh and Meadows HRC to put on their HRC event, and before our next club meeting CMRC will host its first Super Retriever Series event on July 12-14. We have club members running their dogs in numerous field trials and hunt tests to great success including a Derby dog that is accumulating points every time he steps into the field, a new Amateur Field Champion, and a number of dogs are progressing towards various AKC, HRC and NAHRA titles! And it is only mid-June. There is so much more to come!

With as busy as things are, I don't have a lot to share with you today. Many of your fellow club members have not only been busy competing, but in order to compete at a high level, one must train. It is terrific to see our grounds getting used by so many. The grounds are available for us all to us 7 days a week, and when I am there, I am seeing quite a number of people out training.

And likewise, in order to train on these grounds, we need to keep them manicured for that training. We are fortunate to have some very dedicated members that are taking the time to mow the lawn, mow the fields, trim around the points and shorelines, and other maintenance of the property. Along with maintaining the grounds come maintaining the equipment, so that means repairing mowers and keeping tractors operational. We all owe a debt of gratitude to those folks who are spending countless hours to maintain the grounds. If you are willing to help out in these tasks, let us know. We will be most happy to show you how to operate the equipment so we can lighten the load.

As busy as the month of June seems, our season doesn't end there. Don't forget we have our second AKC Hunt Test the weekend of July 29-31 and our second AKC Field Trial August 4-7. If you are wanting to help out at either of those events, please volunteer by reaching out to our event chairs Dan Tongen and Bob Zylla. Until next month, enjoy the grounds, enjoy the events and have a Happy 4th of July!

Gordie

# WAGS AND BRAGS



NEW AFC DANCER!!! Chris Brandl and Dancer received 2nd place in the Amateur at the North Dakota Retriever Club Field Trial June 10-11.



NEW QAA BERT! Congrats to Kelsey Wehr and Bert on their win at the CMRC Owner-Handler Qualifying Stake on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>!



NEW MH DASH!  
Congratulations to Todd Fuchs and Dash on their Master Hunter title, which they earned at CMRC this past weekend!



NEW JH SAMI! Congrats to Angie Martizna and Sami for earning their Junior Hunter title at CMRC on Saturday!



Congrats to Judy Super and Ricki on earning their 4<sup>th</sup> Master pass at the Vikingland Hunt Test June 10-11.



Congrats to Chad Sweep and Tater on earning three Master passes this month! Here they are with their ribbon from our test this past weekend.

**Do you have a brag to share? Email Debbie Russell at [debbierussell@hotmail.com](mailto:debbierussell@hotmail.com)**