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# SEPTEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

INFORMAL TRIAL

December 18, 2011

ELECTION OF OFFICERS & BOARD

December 6, 2011

**CLUB MEETINGS** 

September 6, 2011 December 6, 2011

#### REGULAR MEETINGS ARE ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM

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Due to the lack of a majority of officers and board members, the August regular meeting was not held. This is a reminder to the membership to plan on attending the September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as we have business that needs to be taken care of. See you Tuesday night.

We will discuss the septic system. A water meter has been in place to accurately measure the amount of water that the club uses. The proposed by-law changes will be discussed. A nominating committee for 2012 officers and directors will be appointed. We will discuss a bird supplier for 2012. Planning for ground improvement will be brought up.

#### Proposed by-law changes

#### All changes are indicated by **Bold Face Type**

#### Article IV

#### 3. SPECIAL MEETING

Add Electronic Mail may be substituted for First-Class Mail if requested by the Member.

#### MANNER OF GIVING NOTICE

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## 2. NUMBER OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of the four (4) Officers of the Corporation as well as three (3) Directors at Large, one (1) Field Trial Chairperson and one (1) Hunting Test Chairperson.

#### 5. ELECTIONS AND TERM OF OFFICE OF DIRECTORS

Three (3) Directors at Large shall be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Members to hold office until the next annual meeting. Each Director, including a Director elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the Members or until a successor has been elected and qualified.

#### Article VII

#### 1. OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. (The Field Trial Chairman is no longer considered an Officer.)

#### 8. FIELD TRIAL CHAIRMAN

(Eliminate this section and address the Field Trial Chairman under Article VIII)

#### Article VIII

# **EVENT CHAIRPERSONS**

#### 1. Field Trial Chairperson

The Field Trial Chairperson must be a voting member and/or life member in good standing and will be elected annually to serve as the Field Trial Chairperson and as a member of the Board.

The Field Trial Chairperson along with the Field Trial Committee shall be in charge of all field trials during the year for which he/she is elected in accordance with AKC Standards and Rules.

# 2. Hunting Test Chairperson

The Hunting Test Chairperson must be a voting member and/or life member in good

standing and will be elected annually to serve as the Hunting Test Chairperson and as a member of the Board.

The Hunting Test Chairperson along with the Hunting Test Committee shall be in charge of all hunting tests during the year for which he/she is elected in accordance with AKC Standards and Rules.

Articles VIII, IX, X and XI are renumbered to reflect the addition of the proposed Article VIII titled EVENT CHAIRPERSONS.

Discussion of these changes will be held during the meeting and voting will be held during the December meeting.

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CMRC would like to extend our condolences to the family of Theresia Doubek. Theresia was a life member of Central Minnesota Retriever Club who brought a huge contribution to the club. She ran dogs, judged the Hunting Tests and embroidered many articles of clothing. She was loved and will be missed.

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CMRC rented out the grounds to the Upper Midwest Flat Coated Retriever Club for a training seminar on August 20, 21, 2011 and the following is the thank you that the club received.

Wanted to say a huge thank you to you and the Central Minnesota Retriever Club for providing us with such wonderful grounds to have our seminar on this weekend. Everything was just perfect! It was great to have the use of the clubhouse. We made sure the trash was emptied and the building locked up when we left.

I think a few of us may end up joining your club so that we have the opportunity to train there occasionally. Your beautiful facility gave us so many opportunities to create training set ups that challenged both trainer and dogs. I don't think we could have picked a better location for the seminar. We even got Dominos Pizza to deliver! :) We were a small group but accomplished a lot in those two days.

Thank you again,

Terry Fowler Secretary Upper Midwest Flat Coated Retriever Club

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Hello Everyone!

Thus far the response and entries for the 5th Annual GMHTA Retriever Championships has been terrific. After we finally got the event up and running on EE last Thursday, we had 7 entries by 8:00 PM that evening! As of this moment we have 26 total entries and the Junior stake is almost filled. We have plenty of room for more senior and master entries, so please continue to promote the event and encourage your club members, friends and peers to join us on the 17th in Hinckley and get those entries completed on Entry Express. Simply do an event search and put "GMHTA" in the event name blank on the EE website and the event should appear on screen.

We have also had a handful of people step forward to offer their work for the event on the 17th. As with any retriever event, it takes people out in the field to throw birds and plant blinds and so forth. Although we have had some response, we would appreciate more. It would be great if each club in the GMHTA could send one dedicated individual to work the event. Thus far we have members of CMRC, Four Points and Lake Country coming beside the test chairs Chuck, Travis, secretary Sheila and me. If you could help us round up a few more workers, we will be happy to accept their help.

So, get your entries in if you haven't done so already. Entries close at midnight on September 8. If you are available to work, drop Chuck Stokes an email at gldnriley@aol.com.

Thanks everyone!

Gordie Schlichting