



CMRC NEWS

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FOR THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 PM.

THE NEXT CLUB MEETING IS DECEMBER 5TH, 2018. ELECTIONS FOR OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE HELD AT THE MEETING.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2018	January 2019	February 2019	March 2019
5 th – Club Meeting	2 nd – Club Meeting	6 th – Club Meeting	6 th – Club Meeting
16 th – Club Informal	20 th – Club Informal	17 th – Club Informal	17 th – Club Informal

The Field Trials for CMRC were a success in 2018 with Duane Smith as the field trial chairman. The club members pulled together to work the events. The hog roast, sponsored by Dogs Up Ramps, was a popular addition to the trial. Burt Fosse catered the lunches and dinners for the club. It was suggested that sack lunches be sold to the handlers for added income for the club.

Gordie Schlichting, as the hunt test chairman, was key in insuring that the Hunt Tests were a success in 2018. The planning, volunteers and tests all came together for the event working through the heat, rain and humidity to make the event a success. 307 dogs were entered in the event with 276 dogs starting.

A new lock was placed on the gate going into CMRC. Someone has been removing the existing locks. Hopefully, this new lock will not be lost. Seven loads of gravel/crushed asphalt have been approved for the grounds. The well has been flushed and the water quality has improved.

CMRC applied to receive a PRTA grant to improve Klick's field and was rewarded a grant. The funds are dedicated to reducing the swell in Klick's field which will improve the visibility of dogs from end to end of the field. Plans are to include an "s" shaped trench through the field to add more structure to the grounds. This would be like what Rick Stawski has incorporated on his grounds. More details will be coming.

NFC AFC Seaside's Pelican Pete owned by Bob Zylla and trained by PRTA Pro Steve Yozamp was elected to the National Retriever Hall of Fame in 2018. He will be inducted into the Hall of Fame on February 9, 2019.

Pete was one of the most dominant dogs in the history of our sport, having amassed 172.5 All Age points in a field trial career that only lasted 6.5 years. Statistics for Pete include 172.5 All Age Points, 18 All Age Wins, 50 Open places and 71 Open finishes. Pete qualified for the National Open six years plus a National Amateur.

Elections for club officers and board members will be held at the next club meeting on December 5, 2018. The club is looking for volunteers to fill these positions. Please contact Linda Twiss 612-964-7543 if you are willing and able to fulfil these positions.

2018 also brought some sad news with the passing of club members.

Brian Mills age 50 died May 13, 2018. Survivors include his wife Julie Doubek-Mills and children Ethan and Mikayla, and father-in-law, Ralph Doubek. Brian enjoyed being outdoors, tending to his hobby farm and taking the family on fishing trips and summer vacations. He loved hunting, gardening and grilling. He was a wonderful father and role model with a great sense of humor.



Charles Arthur Hays June 17, 1936 October 12, 2018

Charles is survived by his wife Yvonne and their two daughters, Lisa Farmer and Leslie B. Hays. Charles was an outdoor enthusiast. He loved duck hunting and developed lifelong friendships with his hunting buddies at Lake of the Wood and Saskatchewan, Canada. He fished over 40 years with his buddy from Marathon, FL. He had many wonderful memories of their time together on the ocean. The Hays reside in South Georgia in the winter and Minnesota in the summer. The passion of his life, however, was Retriever Field Trials. For over 50 years, Yvonne and Charles raised and trained Labrador Retrievers. Together, they owned 20+ titled field trial dogs. Charles is a member of the Retriever Hall of Fame in Grand Junction, TN, as are three of his dogs, Mouse, Toby and Marty. He was president of the National Amateur Retriever Club. He won the National Open in 1988 with Toby. His dog, Marty, won the Canadian National Open in 1988 handled by a professional handler in 1989 and Charles handled Marty to the Canadian National Amateur Championship in 1990. Marty is still the all-time high point yellow Labrador in Retriever Field Trials. Charles judged the National Open in 1985. On a local note, Charles is a past president of the Minnesota Field Trial Association and the Hennepin County Amateur Retriever Club. Charles' bubbling personality will be missed by all and he will be deeply missed by his family who loved him.



Brian Moser died peacefully on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 58 years old. Brian was an avid sportsman who had a passion to train and judge field trial dogs. He was grateful to have had the opportunity to care for and train field trial dogs with a professional over the final year of his life. Brian also was devoted to being a big brother and mentor.

Gary A. Strom, age 72, passed away Friday, November 16, 2018 at his home. He grew up in the Duluth area where he attended school. Upon graduation, he entered the United State Marine Corps in 1968 and served three tours of duty in Vietnam. While in Vietnam, Gary was a K9 Handler as well as a Tunnel Rat. He was honorably discharged in 1970 and was a Purple Heart recipient. In his free time Gary enjoyed hunting, fishing, and was a very talented dog trainer. He trained many hunting dogs over the years for himself as well as for other people. He also volunteered as a Boy Scout Leader for several years. Gary was dearly loved and will always be remembered for his great sense of humor.