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By Dave Trahan
Deerfield, New Hampshire



Many New Members

Spring testing is well underway, and many chapters are holding tests along with clinics for their members. NAVHDA already has a record number of test and clinics planned for this year. We are seeing good growth in our organization, as membership is on the rise.

At our pre-test, the Merrimack Chapter had amazing numbers of new members running dogs. We had 14 new Natural Ability dogs and other people getting ready for NA. It was great to have young people come and to see that excitement in their eyes.

With so many new people, our chapter tried a new approach on how to handle all these new members. We broke up into three groups; each included two old members with knowledge and experience with the NA test. They stayed together and worked with each other for each event. This made it easier for new people to learn about the different aspects of the test while teaching them how to plant birds, release a tracking bird, move through the field, and coax a dog to swim.

Thanks to the many of you who are promoting NAVHDA—you are the reason why we are growing so well. Our training and testing programs prove that our breeders are producing better pups, which also helps with our growth.

We all need to work together to have great hunting dogs. Happy training.





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ON THE RIGHT TRACK

Preparing A Puppy For A Natural Ability Test

Adapted from an article by John Kegel, NAVHDA Newsletter, August 1975

The following article has been adapted from one written by founding member John Kegel, was first published in Pudelpointer Club of North America newsletter, and subsequently in The NAVHDA Newsletter in August 1975. By "adapted from" we mean altered slightly in two specific ways. First, the original article focused on training a specific breed within NAVHDA (Pudelpointers); however, since the concepts presented here apply to all breeds within NAVHDA, we have removed a couple of breed-specific references. Indeed, as Mr. Kegel describes at the end of his article, "Although this article refers to training of a PP pup, there is no reason that these lessons cannot be used for every breed." Second, the article has been shortened somewhat to remain focused on the broad aspects of Natural Ability preparation.

Finally, while this article was published over 40 years ago, the foundational principles haven't changed much! Although many of us may use electronic bird releasers to accomplish what was once done with just birds, these techniques will work well—assuming you have birds that fly well. And, as always, there is no hard and fast rule on the age to begin specific aspects of training; the recommendations provided here are Mr. Kegel's own rough guidelines which may or may not apply to your particular pup.

Those who think natural ability should surface by itself, and dogs entered in Natural Ability Tests don't need any preparation should think again.

One question I am often asked by new puppy owners is: At what age should I start with the training and how much training does he need? Under my approach, training can start right from weaning and continue until the dog retires from hunting. Only the intensity and frequency of training will vary with the age of the dog.

From weaning to four or five months we might restrict our training to play training. Then after our pup's hunting instinct has been fully developed, we can progress with an intensive training program. But even the fully trained dog will require some maintenance training from time to time.

I would like to divide the developing and preparation of our pup into three major phases:

Phase I: Play training or preliminary training and introducing our pup to the water. Age period – 7 weeks to approximately 5 months.

Phase II: Building and developing his hunting desire which will include search and pointing.

Phase III: Tracking.

Phase I: Preliminary Training

1) Get the puppy used to his name and make him wear a (leather/nylon) collar.
2) Make him understand the meaning of the words No, Quiet, and Kennel.
3) Teach Sit, Stay, and Come. I don't teach Whoa, Down, or Force Fetch at this stage.

All of my lessons are preceded by a five-minute play period to give the pup a chance to get rid of some of his excess steam. The playing consists of throwing a small dummy a few times out on the lawn and letting him retrieve it, or I take my fly rod with a pheasant wing dangling from it and let the pup chase it and point it a few times. I'm not convinced that sight pointing a pheasant wing does much for the pup's future pointing, but, if not overdone, it is fun to watch the pup and also good exercise in a confined area.

The five-minute play period is followed by about 10 minutes of actual training, then I take the pup for a 15 minute romp in the field.

Phase II: Building and Developing the Hunting Desire

This is the most important lesson for your puppy. At the same time, it is also the slowest and least interesting period for the novice dog trainer. Searching and pointing are natural instincts for our puppies, but we must provide our dogs with the opportunity to have these instincts developed.

I feel it is very important to get the pup to hunt instead of running only. In order to do that, we must provide the youngster with live bird contacts from the beginning on. Very few of us live in an area where wild birds are abundant so you must do the next best thing. Go to the game breeder and buy 20 ***well flying*** bobwhite quail. This may seem costly, but you have to realize a well-trained dog does not come cheap.

Now you'll need to find a field with suitable cover 5" to 10" tall. Take two or three of your quail and place them in some bird looking cover. Go back, get the pup, release him with a command, and walk a brisk pace, always facing the wind at the start. Until he learns what

game-holding cover looks like, it may take a little bit of maneuvering at first to get your dog to the birds.

Don't expect a point right away. He will most likely show signs of making game by lowering his head and wagging his tail, flushing the bird and chasing it. This is normal and nothing to worry about (Editor's note: This is why you need birds that fly well!). After several flushes he will become more cautious and start to stalk and then point his game. ***When your pup is approaching game he should be allowed full freedom. He should be permitted to make his point without directions or cautioning from you. This advice is not easy to follow. The handler's first impulse when he sees his dog slow down and go in with nose extended is to "whoa" and caution him at every stop.*** This just slows up the dog and keeps him pottering around. ***For these reasons I do not teach my dogs to whoa in Phase I. The temptation to use it in the field at an early age is too great.*** Once your pup is holding point long enough for you to approach him, flush the bird and let him chase. You can take advantage of the chase by getting the dog used to gunfire – simply fire a cap pistol when the dog is about 30-40 yards away actively chasing the bird.

Field lessons should last about 20 minutes. Fifteen or twenty trips over a period of two months should bring your pup a long way in his development. His search should be aggressive and he should be pointing regularly.

Phase III: Tracking

There are many rules and techniques about training tracking, but it is not the purpose of this article to deal with the actual training procedures. For this reason, I will restrict my comments to a few general ideas.

Training tracking is relatively easy and does not require many lessons. We need a 50-yard strip of low grassy cover not over 4" tall and a pheasant with flight feathers pulled from one wing. You should choose the cooler hours of the day. You can either drag the pheasant using a pole so you don't leave foot scent on the bird's track, or simply release the pheasant. It is advisable to use a distinct command such as find, dead bird, fetch dead, trail, track, or whatever you like. Some dogs will track like they have done it all their lives, others will track a short distance and then try to search with a high head. Let him work the entire track (build up to 100 yards). If he does a reasonable job tracking, I would leave it at that and discontinue the lessons. Tracking, I feel, if overdone can have a detrimental effect on your search.

The speedster that wants to do the tracking with his legs rather than his nose needs lots of calming down. A failure to track is more often the result of the dog's relying more on speed than his nose.

Now good luck, and find a place on the wall for your plaque!



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IF ONLY I COULD TALK TO MY DOG

By Jeff Ebert
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Having been around dogs my entire life, I can honestly say there is never a more exciting time as when I bring that new puppy home. The promise of a clean slate, the unknown potential, and the journey of reaching hunting maturity are but a few of the rewards promised by my newly acquired friend. Unfortunately, uncertainty clings to the back of my mind. "Did I choose the right dog?" "Will the dog reach the potential as a companion and hunter as I hope?" Experience has taught me that it is less about the dog and more about the influence I have on the dog as a trainer. The truth of the matter is, any hunting dog with a reasonable pedigree is born with the knowledge to hunt beyond what we humans are capable of teaching. It's in their DNA. The challenge is to teach the dog to hunt "with us" as a hunting team. To accomplish this goal, it is of foremost importance to create a foundation in which the dog can learn and understand our desires. This foundation creates the building blocks for all future training, and, when done correctly, it can unlock our dog's potential as a hunting dog.

Metaphorically, we can think of our dog as a fine recipe. We can take the ingredients from a strong pedigree like a good nose, strong desire and a bit of cooperation, and combine these with the ingredients of foundation training like behavior and obedience, sprinkle in a little luck—and there we have it: the perfect hunting dog. But, like all good recipes, there is a hidden ingredient. Ignoring this ingredient or combining it in the wrong way leads to disappointment. This final ingredient is hidden away in our foundation training and is often overlooked: communication.

Foundation training can be thought of as teaching our dog how to act on a daily basis. The ingredients to building a strong foundation start with behavior. Behavior is how we want our dogs to act on their own and without a command. Examples of behavior are riding quietly in a car, or not jumping on people, or not sleeping on the sofa. We expect these behaviors from our dog hopefully without saying so. Another ingredient for a strong foundation is command training or obedience. Obedience is our dog's learned response to a specific command. Ideally the dog's response will be consistent, immediate, and without question.

Success in teaching these ingredients to our dog requires the presence of our hidden ingredient, communication. Like behavior and obedience, our dog is not born with the ability to talk to us or understand what we are saying. This ability must be maturated as part of our foundation training. By focusing on what we say and what we do while training, our dog's ability to learn can greatly improve.

Speak Your Dog's Language, But Be Careful What You Say

As a trainer, I have often thought it would be so cool if I could just have an intelligent conversation with my dog. It would be something like, "Hey, go out in that pond and find me a duck." My dog would say, "Do you want a live duck, or is a dead one ok?" I would reply, "I don't care, just find me a duck." He would say, "Ok, I'll be back in a few." My dog would then jump in the pond and look for a duck.

Well, unfortunately, I am not Dr. Doolittle and I have not yet had a dog that could speak to me in that manner, but it would make all my training easier if I could just tell him what I wanted so he could understand. Here lies the problem that most people are faced with. Dogs simply do not understand English. In fact, they don't really understand any human language on a complex level. So, the challenge becomes developing an effective form of communication with our dogs. Perhaps, if our dogs can't speak our language, maybe we should speak theirs. After all, we do claim to be the more intelligent species. Actually, this is not the dumbest of ideas. But before you start barking at your dog, I'll explain further.

The obvious question is what language does our dog speak? Attempting to solve this riddle, I spent countless hours listening to my dogs as they communicate. The problem is I never heard them say anything. Thinking their language was really top secret, I laid awake at night to see if they talked while I was asleep. Again, I heard nothing. A hidden microphone in their kennel during the day revealed much the same thing. I know full well my dogs communicate with each other. When one wants to play, the others are quick to jump in. When a stranger walks in the yard, all of them are aware before the first bark is heard. So, how does this communication take place? It goes without saying that we humans communicate by what we can ***hear***. One person speaks, and the other one listens. Words that have meaning are combined to form complex thought, and sometimes gestures are added to give even more meaning. The gestures are something we can ***see*** but this is secondary to what we say. Dogs rely on what they can ***see*** as their primary means of communicating. An expression, a gesture, and posture are all forms of communication. Sound or what they can ***hear*** is also part of their communication used to add additional emphasis, but it is secondary to what they can ***see***. By understanding this concept you will soon realize that dogs are always talking to us, and we talk to them without saying any words, and sometimes without knowing.

Examples Of Conversations I Have With My Dogs

At the end of a day's work, I return home and open the door with a big smile on my face. Without fail, I am greeted at the door by my four-legged friends. My little female Niki will be wagging her whole backside to the point of falling over. Her nose will be wrinkled exposing her front teeth as if posing for some whitening toothpaste commercial. It's an expression she uses for, "Welcome home Dad, glad to see you." My boy Tango uses a gesture that has much the same meaning. He picks up a shoe and dances in circles. An attempt to take the shoe results in a game of keep away. "I want some attention," he says. A pat on the head results in the shoe being dropped at my feet. "Thanks Dad, I missed you too." Then there is my youngest, Rebel. He is more of a clone of his father, Tango, than actual offspring. He will quickly pick up the other shoe and perform his own dance, emulating his father in every way. (A cruel game I sometimes play is to leave only one shoe at the door). Later in the evening when dinner is done and dishes are put away, Niki will spring from her bed. She performs her version of a tap dance in the middle of the kitchen floor. A glance her way and she runs back to her bed, she then flings her head back over her shoulders. This is done so violently you think someone just broke her neck, but if you follow her nose the direction leads to the cupboard where the milk bones are kept. "It's time for my evening biscuit," she says. On another day, I will come home with a snarl on my face. A quick glance from Niki and she retreats to her bed with a sad expression. "Sorry you had a bad day; I'll just stay out of your way." Tango sits on the rug. The shoe remains on the floor where I left it. He cocks his head from side to side while staring at me. "What's wrong with you, another bad day?" He questions. Rebel paces the floor at a distance. Uncertainty is in his expression as he does not yet understand what is being said. Throughout these conversations, no words have been spoken, but the mood and the messages have been clearly communicated with expressions and gestures.

The lesson that can be taken away from these conversations is that dogs use gestures and expressions to communicate, and they are very quick to respond to the expressions and gestures that we make simply because that's how they communicate. To more effectively communicate a voice command to our dogs, a hand signal or gesture should be used to reinforce what we are saying. The expressions we make and posture we use should remain as neutral as possible. This is to avoid saying the wrong thing and creating confusion. For example, let's say you issue a "Here" command and you extend your open hand downward (the hand signal for here or come). The posture you use is very upright and forward, and the expression on your face is anger. The most likely result of this command is that your dog will hover just out of reach, reluctant to come all the way to you. This is because your command said "Here" but your posture is dominant and aggressive, and your expression is con-

fronting as if to say, "stay away." So, you have sent the dog mixed signals, and it is confused. By relaxing your posture and removing the angry look the only signal you will send to your dog is "Here." If we combine the sound of a voice command with a hand signal or gesture and we are consistent with our posture and expressions, we will find that our dog will learn much quicker. In fact, our dog will most likely respond to our visual signals long before it responds to a voice command. The reason for this is that voice commands are often confusing. We humans use the tone of our voice to imply different meaning. Sometimes we speak softly and other times harshly. Sometimes we add some other form of "twang" with no meaning at all. All of these different sounds are actually different commands that our dog must learn. Voice commands must be used in a consistent tone and manner to be affective. It is important to understand that the words we use have no meaning. They are simply sounds in a dogs mind. Changing the tone or adding additional words are actually different sounds that our dog must interpret to mean the same thing.

The Art of Being Consistent

Every once in a while I'll get the urge to bake myself some cookies. It doesn't seem that hard really. You simply throw all the ingredients from a recipe into a large bowl, mix it all up and put it into the oven to bake. I'll admit that my cookies sometimes turn out ok, but other times they are not so good. I'm careful to use the correct amounts of the ingredients, but the truth is I never know what I'm getting for a cookie from one batch to the next. My wife, on the other hand, is an accomplished baker, and she can produce pretty much the same cookie over and over. She tells me you can't just throw all the ingredients together all at once. You first have to combine the liquids together at room temperature, and then separately combine all the dry ingredients. You then slowly add the dry ingredients to the liquid, and you must be careful to not over mix the ingredients. While I'm sure there is some scientific chemistry going on here, the important thing to point out is that if the cookies are to turn out the same each time, not only do we have to be consistent with what ingredients we use, but we also have to be consistent with the method we use to incorporate the ingredients.

"Consistency is an important element to successful dog training." Anyone who has spent any time in the dog training arena has heard some variation of this statement. I have already mentioned that using consistent sounds, expressions, gestures and posture significantly improves our dog's ability to learn by reducing the amount of information our dogs must absorb. But being consistent extends beyond what we are trying to say to our dog. It also must include the expectation of our dog's behavior and the responses we get from our commands. To better understand why this is important you must know a little bit about how dogs think in general. We humans are capable of complex thoughts. We have the ability to analyze a given situation and act differently according to the variables. Dogs on the other hand are binary thinkers. For them, things are good or bad, on or off, yes or no. There really isn't any in between. If I come in the house from outside, I might look at my boots to see if they are clean before I decide to walk across the carpet. Our dogs on the other hand would not consider what's on their feet at all. If they have had the freedom to walk on the carpet previously, most likely they will do it again without considering what's on their feet. So, as you can see, when we are teaching behavior to our dog, our expectations must be consistent and absolute. Our dog must always ride quietly in the car, or it may never sleep on the sofa. It must be always or never, and not sometimes.

Applying consistency to obedience is equally important. Not only is it important to use the same sounds and gestures for our commands, it is equally important to have consistent expectations of our dog's response to our commands. If I command my dog to heel, is my expectation for ten steps, twenty steps, or around the block? If I tell my dog to stay, is it for one minute, five minutes or the rest of the day? It is impossible for our dogs to read our minds, so it is extremely important that we communicate to them what our expectations are. To be consistent, our dog's response to our command must always be until we say so or "released." Each obedience skill that we teach begins with a command and ends with a release from the command. There can be no sometimes or almost, if we are to be consistent. This makes it much easier for our dog to understand that our expectations are "until I say so." If we fail to teach this expectation, then our dog must decide how long is "long enough." Usually



REBEL AT HIS NA TEST ON POINT. JUDGE LANCE VERNAM LOOKS ON. SCORE 112, PRIZE I. YAHOO!

we will find that our dog will begin testing how long is long enough, and "how long" will become very short.

Teaching our dog that all commands must be until released provides a consistent and definitive end to each obedience skill. Mind reading and guessing on our dog's behalf are no longer in the equation. This is one of the biggest reasons I do not teach the skill "stay" to a young dog. It is too difficult to achieve a consistent expectation. One of my favorite stories to tell is that one day I went to my dad's house, and we were on our way outside. When I opened the door, his dog bolted out, and we spent the next fifteen minutes trying to round it up and get it back in the house. I then asked my dad why he did not teach his dog not to go through an open door. After some grumbling, we went about our day. A few weeks later I returned to his house. He proudly said to me, "Watch this." He went to the door, told his dog to stay, and we went outside. The dog remained behind as instructed. "How's that?" he said. "Well, I guess it's OK," was my response. He looked at me puzzled and asked what I meant by that. So I asked him what his dog will be doing in an hour while we were still outside. He said she would probably go lie down in a little while. "Then it stinks," I said. I explained to him that my expectation of a "Stay" command would be until we returned from outside and released her from the spot where she was supposed to be. "That's not realistic," he said. "Exactly," I replied. "If you didn't expect your dog to stay until you said so, then why would you ask it?" Confused, he asked me how I would do it. I told him I would say nothing to the dog. If the dog tried to exit the door, I would simply close the door on the dog. After several attempts, the dog would learn the behavior that it can't go through the door unless I said so. Because I did not issue a command to the dog, there was no expectation of what it would do the rest of the day while I was gone and therefore no disobedience. There was another trick at work here. Instead of relying on obedience to get the intended behavior, I taught the dog a behavior that required no commands. Therefore there is no opportunity to ruin any obedience training I have done, and I achieved the desired result. This dog's life became much easier.

There's actually another reason I don't teach "stay" to a young dog. It's simply not needed if you adopt the expectation that every command is until I say so. If I tell my dog to "sit" and it is supposed to sit until I say, then couldn't I walk away and come back and find the dog sitting? If I tell the dog to come and don't release it, isn't the expectation that the dog would remain until I said so? So what would be the purpose of teaching stay? It's just another sound that I would have to teach my dog as part of its foundation training that really isn't needed. Therefore, I would just eliminate it and reduce the amount of necessary commands my dog would need to learn.

Training a new puppy to become a fine hunting dog can be frustrating but extremely rewarding. There is very little to compare with the bond shared by man and his dog. While it is often overlooked, the ability to communicate with them is one of the most important lessons you can teach your dog.

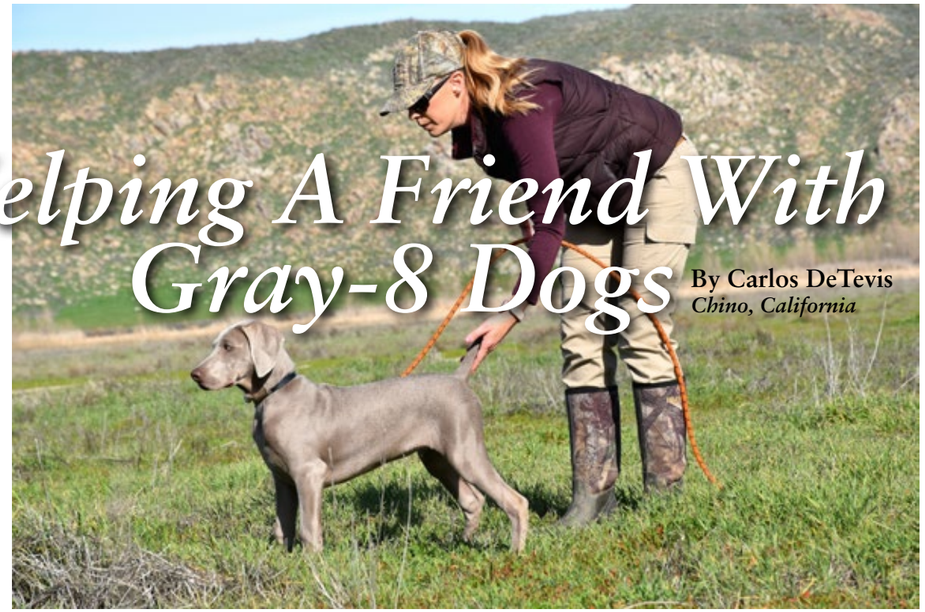


SHOPPING AT HOME DEPOT WITH THE GANG. LEARNING TO LISTEN UNDER DISTRACTION CAN BE A VERY IMPORTANT LESSON. LEFT TO RIGHT - ME, NIKI, REBEL, TANGO, STORMY.

Imagine The Things Your Dog Could Do

This article and its title were inspired by a recent conversation I had about my dogs. The conversation brought back memories of a time when my dog Tango was in training. Tango has been a special dog for me, and I remembered the summer when I was preparing him for NAVHDA's Invitational test. I spent many nights lying awake that summer thinking, "If only I could talk to my dog, imagine the things he could do." It's been nearly five years since that summer when Tango earned a Versatile Champion title, and the other day I took him and his son Rebel to work with me as I often do. There was a co-worker that shares the same passion for good hunting dogs as I do, watching my dogs as they went about their day. He saw how they laid quietly beside me as I worked and how they would wait patiently as I went off to several meetings. At lunchtime we went out to the shop for a quick game of fetch, some line drills and to refine Rebel's obedience skills. It was then that the gentlemen approached me and said, "I've been watching you and your dogs all day. I can't believe how they watch you and respond to everything you do and say. How do you do that?" "I just tell them what I want and they do it," I replied. "What, you can speak dog language?" he asked with a joking grin. "But of course I can, can't you?"

Helping A Friend With Gray-8 Dogs



By Carlos DeTevis
Chino, California

Rebecca Gardea loves Weimaraners! She has owned Weimaraners for close to twenty years. When she got her first one, it was all about owning and caring for a pet and companionship. Unfortunately, this dog died at a young age due to health reasons. She soon realized she wanted to improve and better the breed from such health issues, and encourage improved qualities and temperament. With guidance from her mentors and close friends, she delved into the vast amount of information and good breeding practices that would someday prove her Weimaraners to be both field and show worthy.

I first met Rebecca a few years ago while out working my dogs at the local training grounds. Seeing that she owned Weimaraners, I introduced myself to her, and we exchanged contact information. At that time she was preparing to run in her first NA test, and I offered to help her if needed. We soon began to meet regularly, training our dogs together. Rebecca and her husband Mike breed Weimaraners under the kennel name of SilverBay Weimaraners.

A little over a year ago, Rebecca bred her two prize females Pixie and Kit. These two litters were whelped about sixty days apart. Placing these puppies in homes where the new owners would get involved in field events was her top priority. We soon worked together as a team introducing birds and fieldwork to both the puppies and their new owners. She encourages all her new puppy owners to join NAVHDA and participate in local training days and to run them in a Natural Ability Test. The first puppies from these litters tested this past October. Of the five dogs that tested that day, four received a Prize I. Being that three of the dogs were from the same litter, a NAVHDA Breeder Award was now within reach.

With two dogs from this litter still to be tested, plans were made to run them at the next available local test. One dog was local (Maverick), and the other (Bennie) was located in Arizona. Having two dogs in the test would certainly increase her chances of obtaining a qualifying pass, and that could possibly reward her for her hard work and dedication to the breed.

12 Birds, 12 Hours

I am a novice trainer at best and really enjoy working and starting young dogs. The satisfaction of seeing the expression of the owners when their young dog searches and points a bird or launches into the water for the first time is my reward.

Like most young people nowadays, Rebecca has a lot on her plate. Marriage, work, several dogs at home, and with three young children ages four to ten, training time needs to be slotted into a short time-frame when possible. Bennie arrived from Arizona on a Saturday afternoon a week before the test. Rebecca and her family welcomed him into their home. Being that I was out of town for the weekend, and with the local training grounds closed on Mondays, we made plans to meet on Tuesday morning to start preparing Bennie for his NA Test. Our time would be limited in training Bennie to about three hours per day due to Rebecca's obligation of dropping off and picking up her kids from school.

A local pro near Bennie's home in Arizona had recently introduced him to birds on a few outings. On day one, we started with fieldwork knowing that a foundation and positive environment had been previously created. With Bennie on a check cord, and while leading him across the scent cone, all he wanted to do was charge in and rip the bird out. Not knowing if he had been exposed to gunfire, we shot a couple of blanks while free running in the field. There were no signs of gun shyness or sensitivity. Recall, however, was, as you may imagine, not all that great. We ended the day with him not pointing, but we did succeed in getting him to enter the water.





Day two we saw some improvement in Bennie's fieldwork in that there was a slight hesitation before trying to dive in on the birds. We threw a few birds by him while "whoa tied." Also, an improvement on our second day was his water work. He was now entering the water with just a little encouragement and starting to swim. Rebecca managed to obtain two pheasants the day before, so we ran a couple of tracks for Bennie. He did not impress either one of us on his initial tracking attempts. His recall, again, was not too good.

On day three we started off again with fieldwork. With Bennie still being led in on a check cord, he begrudgingly pointed the birds. We then decided to remove the check cord and ran him loose on "lightly" planted birds. Much to our surprise Bennie pointed the bird and held steady until it flushed. Tracking went poorly again, but his swimming was way beyond our expectations. Recall, again, not too good.

We started off the final day training with fieldwork once again and Bennie pointed and was fairly steady on the birds a couple of times. A couple more tracking drills, and he did a little better. Our last stop before leaving the grounds would be at the pond to confirm Bennie's recent love of the water. He entered the pond without hesitation, with or without throwing a bumper for him. Recall was a little better on this last day of training.

Test Day

It was decided the previous day that I would handle Bennie in the test. Overall, I felt pretty good considering the time we were given to prepare him. However, I was still a little concerned with his tracking and recall.

Three SilverBay dogs from the two litters entered and ran on this test day. All three performed well enough to prize, with two of them being handled by first-time owner handlers. Bennie did a really nice job on the three phases of his test. He earned a Prize II and produced a score high enough to qualify SilverBay Weimaraners with the NAVHDA Breeder Award.

Out of the nine dogs from the two litters that tested in NA, eight earned a prize. Having now experienced the rewards of seeing their dogs afield, a few owners have committed to continue training and, in time, test in Utility. I am looking forward to seeing them and their dogs again soon.



NAVHDA & PRO TRAINERS

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By Mark Whalen
Poolesville, Maryland

This is a topic that I've been kicking around for a while. Some will find it controversial, others may find it enlightening. As I travel around the country as a NAVHDA Senior Judge and Clinic Leader, the subject of professional trainers seems to come up frequently. Some people very much support pro trainers in our organization; others are totally against it and feel it's not fair to have pro trainers testing in NAVHDA. Since I'm not a pro trainer, but I have been in this organization for over 30 years, I thought I would offer some insight, as well as my personal opinion on the subject.

I think it's prudent to first explore the different ways the term "professional trainer" is used. For some people, if you have ever taken money to train a dog then you are a pro trainer. For others, if you train full time then you are a pro trainer. Some people call themselves pro trainers when they have trained a few dogs and charged someone to do it. I have fixed a few faucets over the years, but I surely don't call myself a plumber. For the sake of this article, and since I'm the one who's writing it, we'll just have to use my definition: a professional trainer is someone who trains dogs either full time or part time and is earning either all or a significant part of their income doing it.

I know many pro trainers personally, and am fortunate to call some of them very close personal friends who I could count on for anything. I have learned a tremendous amount from a few of them and they have certainly played a huge role in the dog trainer I am today. Quite frankly, I'm a little jealous of all of them; they have found a way to earn their entire income, or part of their income, doing what they absolutely love to do, which is train, test and, most importantly, hunt versatile dogs. Not to mention that they have no boss, no time clock and most have no employees…what's not to like? Well, I'm guessing what's not to like would be the pressure. If I pay someone to fix my truck, then my expectations are that the truck is fixed, and stays fixed. People who pay professional trainers have the same expectations; there is inherent pressure to deliver. Think about the last time you were standing on the line at an NA test or UT test ready to cut your dog loose in the field. You were nervous right? Now think about how you would feel if someone paid you to train that dog, probably nervous to a whole different level. Sometimes pro trainers are expected to make silk purses out of sow's ears, which is not easy. Sometimes they get the very special dogs to train that have the ability and the mental stability to pick things up very quickly. I'm sure that most of the dogs fall somewhere in the middle of two extremes. Nonetheless, they are expected to deliver, and that usually means Prize I's and VC's. Not an easy task.

In my opinion pro trainers fill a void; there are many people out there who would very much like to have a well-trained dog so they can participate in NAVHDA and have a quality dog to hunt behind. Some of these people don't have the time, experience or expertise to train at a high level. Many don't have any chapters near them or anyone who can help them train. Others need help to fix a problem or address certain aspects of training where they lack the skill or knowledge, say force breaking for example, so they go to a pro for help. Has anyone ever paid to take a golf lesson, a sporting clays lesson or piano lesson? In my mind I see no difference.

Professional trainers make money on their reputation and their testing scores; is that wrong? In my opinion no, it's part of what makes the world go around. The NAVHDA testing system is inherently noncompetitive; if you are a competitive person then that burden falls on you and you alone. Our organization is about rooting for the dog and handler, no matter what flavor of dog, who bred it, who trained it or who handled it. A good versatile dog is a good versatile dog….period. There are plenty of very competitive dog organizations out there that welcome people who like to compete; NAVHDA would not be one of them. NAVHDA is about measuring dogs to a standard of performance and breeding the best to the best.



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All of the pro trainers that I know, whether close personal friends or passing acquaintances, are always willing to answer your questions…always. I can't tell you how many times I've seen people come up to one of the professional trainers to ask questions. Heck, I do it myself, frequently. To a person these men and women are more than willing to stand there and answer questions that they have probably been asked 100 times before. They are always willing to share their knowledge with just about anyone who asks. Most, but not all, of the pro trainers in NAVHDA, are also Judges, Senior Judges, Clinic Leaders and Invitational Judges, who volunteer countless hours for this organization. Many of the pro trainers in NAVHDA travel to different chapters doing training clinics, as well as conducting training clinics for other organizations like the Ruffed Grouse Society and Pheasants Forever. Sometimes they get paid, sometimes they do it gratis. Many professionals also do training days at their grounds to help out their buddies, or new folks who are struggling…for free! In addition, there a many pro trainers who volunteer a tremendous number of hours at their local chapters and some at an international level as well. Another commonality in many pro trainers is their ability to produce top quality dogs of various breeds through carefully orchestrated, well thought out and well planned breeding. Pro trainers and breeders in our organization are also responsible for introducing countless new people to NAVHDA who go on to become very productive and active members. In my opinion these are all good things.

I believe there are two main components responsible for the quality of dogs I see out there today, along with the high test scores, which, by the way, are leaps and bounds ahead of what they were 30 years ago. The first are the breeders in our organization; they have played the largest role. There are now many breeders in NAVHDA who are producing outstanding dogs in many different breeds, and they all aren't pro trainers. The second component is the professional trainer. People are much better equipped mentally to train their dogs these days, they are better informed and overall much more skilled at dog training in general. Where do you think that came from? It came from pros, and not just NAVHDA pros. How many of you have gone to Rick Smith seminar, or purchased a book or video done by a professional trainer? Most everyone reading this article I would guess. The pro trainers in NAVHDA have spread so much knowledge throughout this organization they deserve great deal of gratitude from all of us, they certainly have mine.

strangers aren't always so strange

By Nancy Anisfield
Hinesburg, Vermont



I put four bottles of red wine and a few nips of brandy on the counter at our local liquor store. A voice behind me said, "That's a good sized collection." Turning, I saw a squirrely-looking guy, wiry, with a stubbly narrow beard and boney face, wearing a dark bandana on his head and a much too worn Harley t-shirt. Living in a small town, I recognize most the locals even if I don't know their names. He wasn't familiar.

"It's for hunting camp," I said.

"Oh yeah? Your husband's heading to deer camp?" he asked with a chuckle, probably wondering why a bunch of manly men hunters would sip wine instead of bourbon or beer.

"No, it's for girls' hunting camp."

"So you hang out, drink wine, take walks, stuff like that?" he continued with a smirky half smile starting on the left side of his mouth.



"No, we hunt," I replied, loving the direction this conversation was going. He gave me a doubtful look that said, "Yeah sure."

"Fourteen women, ages 39-73. We all have our own bird dogs that we trained ourselves. Actually, I think there'll be about 19 dogs at the camp this year. We hunt. Hard. All day."

His eyes lit up, "Really? What are you hunting?"

"Grouse, I mean partridge, and woodcock," I answered, going with the local term – "partridge" – for ruffed grouse. "Up in northeastern Maine, in Eustis. Most of us have pointing dogs, but there's a Lab or two in the group. Partridge are pretty good up there. We're hoping some flights of woodcock come in."

That seemed to convince him and flip a switch in his mind. He instantly pulled his cell phone out of his pocket and showed me a photo of his living room with handsome deer mounts covering the walls. I admired them. We launched into a conversation about how this year's deer and bird seasons were looking, what the odds were he was going to get a buck during bow season, and how tough the Maine woods would be for bird hunting until more leaves came down. Then we moved on to the relative merits of duck hunting and goose hunting, my hunting dogs and his non-hunting dogs. Twenty minutes later, I picked up my double-bagged collection of bottles and turned to the door as my friend and I wished each other good luck and good times hunting. Expectations overturned, enthusiasms shared. Pretty cool.

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REMINDER: OWNERS & HANDLERS MUST BE NAVHDA MEMBERS TO TEST

Now that the spring/summer testing season is in full swing, we thought we'd remind you that last year the Executive Council approved a motion to make it a requirement that owners (at least one owner of co-owned dogs) and handlers of dogs must be NAVHDA Members in order to enter a NAVHDA test. The statement "...must be NAVHDA Members..." refers to the NAVHDA parent organization commonly known as NAVHDA International.

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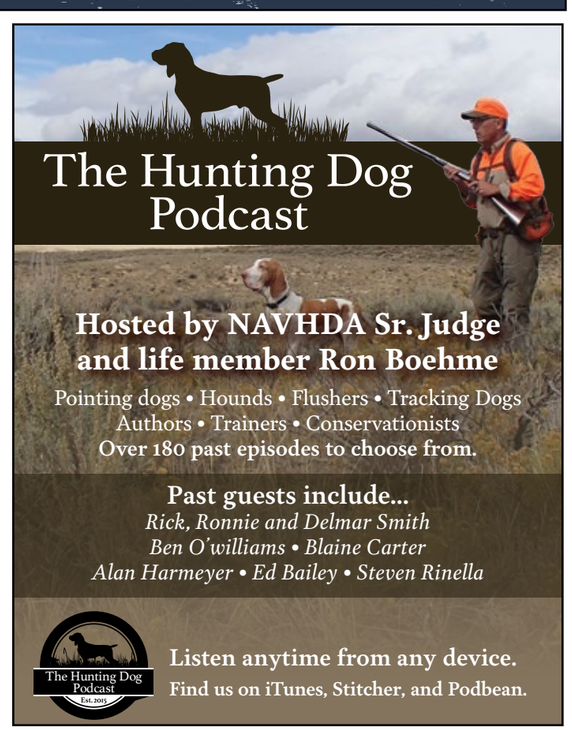
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DATELAND DOVE POPPERS

I don't much care for the standard jalapeno-cream cheese-bacon wrapped dove popper everyone seems to do, so I've gone my own way. I started with Hank's Dove Poppers, and after a great dove hunt in Yuma, Arizona, I got more inspiration. Holly and I had stopped at Dateland, a little roadside stop that features date shakes — my favorite kind of milkshake — as well as an array of various date products. I bought some medjool and honey dates.

I had an idea forming inside my head: Doves and dates. Sweet and meaty. The dish had to be a bacon wrapped dove popper, but I didn't want it to be so one-note as just a date, a dove breast and a slice of bacon. It needed something more. That's when I remembered something my friend Jonathan O'Dell told me about Dateland: In 1927, it was designated as a place to grow dates by the King of Morocco when his country was threatened by a date blight. So seed stock from the highest quality Moroccan dates was grown there, and since then a small but significant date industry has grown in Arizona and SoCal.

Morocco gave me the marinade: chermoula. Chermoula is an herby, citrusy, spicy mixture often used to marinate fish or meats. It has many variations, but any version would add a dimension to this dish. So I buzzed some chermoula together, marinated the dove breasts for a few hours, then built the poppers.

I settled on the small honey dates because they wouldn't overwhelm the dove. Medjools are too big, so if that's all you can find, cut them in half. I also left a lot of marinade on the doves, for added flavor. And I half-cooked the bacon, so the dove breasts wouldn't overcook by the time it crisped on the grill.

The result: Exactly as I'd hoped. Fatty-smoky-crisp bacon, a soft and sweet date, and meaty dove laced with the bright, spicy marinade. Super good, fun to eat — but rich! Make these poppers for a party as an appetizer. Oh, and if you have leftovers for some reason, they're actually damn good right out of the fridge!



Serves 4
Prep Time: 30 mins
Cook Time: 15 mins

12 to 16 dove breasts (24 to 32 halves)
12 to 16 small dates
1 pound bacon (not thick cut)
12 to 16 toothpicks, soaked in water
CHERMOULA MARINADE
2 tablespoons olive oil
Zest and juice of a lemon
1 bunch cilantro or parsley, chopped (about 2 cups)
4 teaspoons ground cumin
2 teaspoons paprika
1 teaspoon hot paprika, Aleppo pepper or cayenne
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1 quarter preserved lemon, chopped (optional)
4 cloves garlic, minced

Put all the ingredients for the chermoula in a food processor or blender and buzz until smooth. Mix with the dove breasts and set in the fridge, covered, for up to 8 hours.

Cook the bacon just until it gives up some fat and is limp. You want it about half-cooked, but not crispy. Set it aside to cool.

Slice the dates open vertically to remove the pit. Unfold the date to flatten it out. Take a dove breast, shake off excess marinade, and nestle it into the date. Bend the edges of the date around the breast.

Wrap a piece of bacon around the dove-date tightly and secure with a toothpick. If you want, you can double up on the dove-dates if you want a bigger popper.

Get your grill hot, leaving one side with no coals or with no burners turned on. Set your poppers on the grill with the seam side of the bacon facing down. Grill with the cover up, turning the poppers frequently to crisp the bacon on all sides. If you are worried the dove might not be fully cooked, set the poppers on the cool side of the grill when the bacon crisps, then cover the grill and cook for an additional 2 to 4 minutes.

THE FORUM



Photo of the Month

Teaching June that there is more to life than fur and feathers at Lake Lopez, California. (Dreamworks Maple, Pudelpointer)
~Bryce Hayes, Bakersfield, CA

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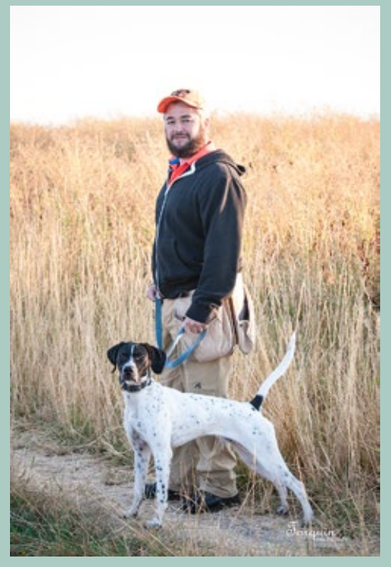
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MEET NAVHDA'S NEW DIRECTOR OF TESTING
DAN WITTMAN

After 17 years of dedicated service to NAVHDA's Executive Committee, most recently as our Director of Testing, Tim Clark has decided to step down. We are grateful for Tim's many years of hard work and commitment to NAVHDA! We are proud to say that longtime NAVHDA member Dan Wittman has stepped up to volunteer for this position. As you'll see below, Dan is tremendously well-qualified for the position, and we all look forward to working closely with him. Welcome Dan!

NAVHDA has provided me with lifelong friendships and played a part in so many great experiences in both my career and personal life. Most of us that have been part of this organization for any length of time have similar experiences which drive our passion. I want to thank the EC for appointing me to the Director of Testing position. I am originally from Buffalo, New York. I did not start hunting until I was 20 years old. It began with hunting deer with a bow and shotgun. I expanded to small game when I trained my rescue shepherd-mix dog to hunt rabbits. From that point forward I realized my passion. In my mind nothing compares to the joy I felt, and still feel, following a dog in the field. In 1995 I decided that I was going to buy a hunting dog and started my research. After a year reading everything I could get my hands on, I decided to get a German Shorthaired Pointer. Following the advice of my breeder I joined the Finger Lakes Chapter of NAVHDA in 1996. I have been a member of the organization ever since.



Today I share my house with two German Shorthaired Pointers, one Vizsla, two Pointers and one mix breed rescue named Nora. I have been a NAVHDA Life Member since 2003 and became a NAVHDA judge in 2016. In 2000 I ran my GSP Tess in the Invitational and in 2013 I ran my Pointer Hailey. I was fortunate to get passing scores both times. My love for upland and waterfowl hunting brought me out west. Besides New York, I have lived in Montana, Texas, Idaho, Colorado and Arizona. I have held various chapter officer positions during that time. Currently I am the president of the Valley of the Sun Chapter in Arizona, which hosted the NAVHDA Annual Meeting in 2018. I appreciate the great work Tim Clark has done over the last 17 years and look forward to continuing the tradition of NAVHDA's great testing system.

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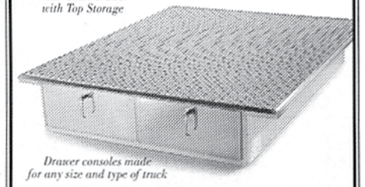


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NAVHDA Test Results

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Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BONE POINT'S DIXIE	GW	12.37	84	None	CHERYL A OWENS
CLADDAGH'S BUSTING MOVES	GW	11.63	112	I	MELANIE L DOVOLIS
TEETH: EXTRA 305					
FOUR STRONG WINDS CIRRUS	LM	13.57	84	None	DONALD S PRIEST
Gun Sensitive					
MOTHERLODE'S EASY E	PP	14.57	99	III	TONY BOATWRIGHT
MOTHERLODE'S FENRIR	PP	12.70	106	II	EVEN HOLMBOE
ROBINGUN'S MEHRE N K XUXA	SM	9.87	87	III	VALERIE ARRECHEA
WHISKEYTOWN BOLD SPIRIT'S GO-GO BOOTS	GR	10.27	102	None	LARRY L DELANEY
WHISKEYTOWN CORAZON DULCE	GR	8.13	87	III	ROBERT SZEMEREDI
WHISKEYTOWN SEAVIEW BIT O HONEY	GR	15.23	95	III	CARROLL KEMP
BITE: UNDERSHOT					

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, CRAIG R MCLAUGHLIN, WENDY S MCINTOSH

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA 04/13/2019 2019-0024

Utility Preparatory Test	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BONE POINT'S RAMBLER	GW	5.85	151	III	GLENN A DONALD
TEETH: MISSING 405&408					
HG'S PRETTY PARKER BOY	GR	2.86	151	None	CHRIS A TOLAND
TEETH: MISALIGNED 402&302					
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
ADLAR VOM HUBERT SCHMIEDE	GW	2.50	196	I	NATHAN GREGOIRE
FLATBROOKS WHISKEY KAIA NILSEN	GR	3.04	171	None	CLIFF E NILSEN
WHISKEYTOWN PYRAT PISTOL	GR	2.98	165	None	LARRY L DELANEY

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, CRAIG R MCLAUGHLIN, WENDY S MCINTOSH

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA 04/14/2019 2019-0025

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BACHMAN BAY HAGEN	GW	11.50	110	I	GARRETT K JONES
BACHMAN BAY HANK'S HONOR	GW	11.50	110	I	DANIEL P DELANEY
BITE: BUTTBITE					
BACHMAN BAY HARLEQUIN	GW	11.50	112	I	MATTHEW D DELGADO
KARPATEN IRBIS LAKARA	GS	7.93	112	I	JASON D PIERSON
SUPREME POINT'S SKY'S THE LIMIT	GR	11.73	107	II	RYAN B REINHARD
WHISKEYTOWN ZOEY'S FRENCH ROAST	GR	12.77	70	None	SUSAN MEADOWS
USED BIRD AT WATER					
WIRESWEST FOXY LADY	GW	12.47	112	I	STEVEN D CASE

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, CRAIG R MCLAUGHLIN, WENDY S MCINTOSH

POTOMAC 04/13/2019 2019-0026

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
AURORA SILBER	GW	8.00	110	I	BRETT SILBER
EKSZER VON HAUS SCHLADERN	WV	12.67	88	III	MELODY H CLARKE
FRIEDELSHEIM'S DUTCHESS ANN	GS	11.27	110	I	CAROLYN M REIFSNYDER
PP DUCORBEAU MARTHA	PP	14.50	97	II	THOMAS A HAGG
VON SCHONHEIT'S CHARLIE BROWN	GS	12.30	70	None	ED A ABBOTT
USED BIRD AT WATER					
WET ACRES HHUBERTUS GROTE JAGER	GR	12.00	87	III	EDWIN B MORGAN
WILLOW CREEK'S SAGE	GS	14.07	112	I	DAVID B ELLIS

JUDGES: CHIP E BONDE, TIMOTHY S CLARK, ROBERT F ENGLAND JR

POTOMAC 04/14/2019 2019-0027

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
JAGO VON DER LINDE	SM	15.80	78	III	GREG STAINTON
TESTES: NEUTERED					
JUMPING BROOK HARD AS WOOD TEAK	GS	12.50	100	III	TIMOTHY S CLARK
SHARP SHOOTERS BREAKING BAD	GS	10.30	98	II	GEOFFREY D FERRER
SHARP SHOOTERS ONE TOO MANY	GS	10.23	112	I	RICHARD W HOLT
SHARP SHOOTERS PIT BOSS	GS	10.23	101	II	MARK A WHALEN
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
BELLEFLEUR VON DER CHESAPEAKE BUCHT	GS	3.13	204	I	FRANCOIS ALDRICH
TEETH: EXTRA 205					

JUDGES: MARK L BULL, ROBERT F ENGLAND JR, JAMES NORFLEET

MISSOURI UPLANDS 04/13/2019 2019-0028

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BONES FORK SUNDANCE GUNDOG MAG E	GS	9.80	112	I	JASON B LANDERS
CEDARWOODS SADIE	PP	15.47	85	None	DAVID L EPEMA
TEETH: EXTRA 205					
FIRST RANGER	GS	11.27	112	I	DALTON WELCH
HARRAS VOM WILDBUNDIG	GW	14.03	107	I	EMILY L JULIN
COAT: NO FURNISHINGS					
HONOR POINTS THE DOCTOR IS IN	GS	15.90	110	I	RAY D JULIN
MARZOLF X LITTLE LUNA	GS	8.83	89	III	DEREK PRESTHOLT
ROCK CREEK REV IT UP	PP	14.40	92	III	JEREMIAH E WINTER
ROCK CREEK TKO	PP	12.23	90	III	JARED P WELCH
ROUSE'S OZ	GS	13.10	112	I	KURT D ROUSE
WINDY CITY MUENSTER	SP	15.03	81	III	CLARE BIELY
USED BIRD AT WATER					

JUDGES: JASON C MEYER, CHARLES L CASANOVA, PETER G APLIKOWSKI

MISSOURI UPLANDS 04/14/2019 2019-0029

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
ANNACHELES BIG DELIO	WM	15.57	96	None	MIKE D FILHOLM
ANNACHELES REBA ROXANNE	WM	15.57	86	None	MIKE D FILHOLM
BITE: BUTTBITE					
BONES FORK LORD OF LONG STAR CHAPS	GS	9.83	106	II	STEVE E SWEDA
TEETH: EXTRA 105 AND BITE: UDNERSHOT					
BONES FORK WEEKEND WARRIOR	GS	9.83	96	III	ROCKY C CARDEN
USED BIRD AT WATER TEETH: MISSING 305&405					
HERR THOEDORE KLAUS	GW	13.77	112	I	RICKY L POHLMANN
HH'S SHE QUINCY THE BIRDS	GR	15.10	91	III	ERIN T WADE
USED BIRD AT WATER					
HH'S SHEEZ DEFINLEE TRACKING	GR	15.10	96	III	ERIN T WADE
TEETH: EXTRA 205-- USED BIRD AT WATER					
HIGH POWER AUDAX'S BOUND FOR GLOREE	PP	12.87	108	I	ZACH W DAVIS
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
SUNDANCE ANY WHICH WAY YOU CAN	GS	1.42	132	None	JEFF R HITT

JUDGES: JASON C MEYER, CHARLES L CASANOVA, PETER G APLIKOWSKI

GRAND CANYON OF ARIZONA 04/13/2019 2019-0030

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
ASPEN HILL SUPER NOVA	GS	11.73	108	II	JENNIFER SCOVELL
CACTUS COUNTRY FAMOUS HANK	BB	10.73	74	None	DAVID LYONS
TEETH: MISSING 305 USED BIRD AT WATER -JUDGED COAT DRY					
CZECHMATE'S JEWEL OF THE DAKOTAS	PP	11.70	97	III	TABITHA CASLER
DUCK CREEK'S KOBUK	DP	15.33	83	III	JESSE A EGBERT
LANCERS FULL SYSTEM GLITCH	GS	11.87	102	III	LANCE R GERDES
TETON BIRD DOGS MACKENZIE ALLEN OF AZ	GS	15.63	91	III	DIANE DELAVERGNE ALLEN
TEETH: EXTRA 205--USED BIRD AT WATER					
Utility Preparatory Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
JOEY BIRDIE	BS	2.00	83	None	NATHAN VIDRINE
TEETH: EXTRA 105 -JUDGED COAT DRY					
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
NO-MARS DEX VOM HAUSS	GS	7.41	185	III	JAMIE SETAYESH

JUDGES: RUTH A WEISS, LANCE T VERNAM, SUSAN E RAVENHILL

WASATCH MOUNTAIN 04/19/2019 2019-0031

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
AGNA VON KIEFERNBLICK	GS	13.10	93	III	BRAYDEN J BECK
TEETH: EXTRA 205					
ANNIKA VON KIEFERNBLICK	GS	13.10	100	III	NATHAN V BLAIR
CEDARWOODS ROYAL FLUSH	PP	6.83	100	III	RON WEEKS
HIGH COUNTRY VIOLET	PP	11.77	112	I	RONALD J DANNER
TEET: MISSING 305-- COAT: NO FURNISHINGS SMOOTH COAT					
PLUM PICKINS LOOSEY GOOSEY	GR	10.83	112	I	MARK A WHITAKER
REY MAHOLANSKY LES	SH	14.67	84	None	ROBERT L KUNDE
VEZETO'S DIAM DUVA DAISY FILLMORE	VI	15.93	91	None	CHRISTOPHER C FILLMORE
USED BIRD AT WATER					
WILLOW BOTT	GW	12.60	102	II	JONATHAN M BOTT
WINDWALKER DESI	GW	12.40	103	I	RYAN MILLER

JUDGES: DANIEL G WITTMAN, JEFF D SOWERBY, JAMES P CARPENTER

WASATCH MOUNTAIN 04/20/2019 2019-0032

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
AKSEL VON KIEFERNBLICK	GS	13.13	110	I	DOUG MURRAY
ANDERS VON KIEFERNBLICK	GS	13.13	107	I	BRAYDEN D ROBERTS
ARLO	SP	12.43	112	I	MARK CUFAUDE
EYES: ECTROPIC					
BAUMS COOL CASH BENELLI	GR	8.30	106	I	COLTON J BAUM
CEDARWOODS TANKS GONE HUNTING	PP	5.80	103	II	DAVID O HARRISON
TEETH: MISSING 305					
CEDARWOODS VICTORY SWOOP	PP	12.07	101	II	BRANDON S WRIGHT
HIGH COUNTRY CAUSEWAY	PP	11.80	112	I	MILBURN L MARKLE
NOBLE CREST REMINGTON JENNINGS	PP	13.00	112	I	DOUG A JENNINGS
TEEH: EXTRA 205 - COAT: NO FURNISHINGS					
STELLAR VISTA KALM BEFORE THE STORM	GR	12.60	112	I	STEPHEN P FISHER

JUDGES: DANIEL G WITTMAN, JEFF D SOWERBY, JAMES P CARPENTER

WASATCH MOUNTAIN 04/21/2019 2019-0033

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
99 UNDER	GS	12.87	112	I	KEATON BECKSTEAD
ASPEN HILL COMEBACK KID	GS	12.00	112	I	BRENEN DYE
BAYLEE VOM RIDGELINE	GW	6.63	112	I	JOSEPH BENNETT
COAT: NO FURNISHINGS					
CHUKAR RIDGE SAGE	GW	12.80	101	II	QUINN B INWARDS
COAT: NO FURNISHINGS					
OUTLANDERS QUALITY CHILI	GS	11.07	112	I	JESS W LYMAN
QUEST VOM BRYNER HAUS	GS	10.47	104	III	JOHN LYONS
ROCK CREEK ZAP	PP	9.53	112	I	JAMES L HARDY
TEETH: MISSING 107&207					
TRAX POWDER HOUND	WM	14.13	76	None	STACIE ROBERTS
WILLOW RIDGE PM BLACK FOREST BENELLI	WM	15.57	93	III	KEVIN J MOORE

JUDGES: DANIEL G WITTMAN, JEFF D SOWERBY, JAMES P CARPENTER

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 04/06/2019 2019-0034

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
COMPASS' DRACAENA CINNABARI	WV	12.97	100	II	AMANDA HUDGINS
INDIANA JONES	GS	8.37	105	II	JON AUER
KIZMAR CALIBRE ELITE CUTTERZOOS DIAMOND INTHE RUFF	VI	12.23	92	III	ROBIN CUTTER
BIRD USED AT WATER					
KIZMAR CALIBRE ELITE EXPRESSIONIST	VI	12.23	112	I	JAMIE D WALTON
MUDBONE ARDBEG LORD OF ISLAY ARGOS	VI	15.90	92	None	ALESSANDRO TODERO
MUDBONE BINDI	VI	15.90	110	I	DEREK D TANG
TGK TOP GUN GOTTA HAVE A MARGARITA	GS	15.90	93	None	CHRISTY ENFIELD
TEETH: EXTRA 405					
WHISPER RIDGE CUTTERZOO'S DUDLEY DO RIGHT	BS	10.77	112	I	ROBIN CUTTER
TEETH: EXTRA 205					

JUDGES: RUTH A WEISS, PETER B WADE, JAMES P CARPENTER

MID-OHIO 04/27/2019 2019-0035

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
FUZZY DOG PRINCESS MYA HANGON SLOOPY	GR	11.10	98	III	WILLIAM H PETTY
RIPSNORTER'S TOP SHELF TULLY-MORE-DO	PP	13.70	100	III	TIMOTHY MORRIS
RIPSNORTER'S VONSTEIN	PP	11.37	112	I	MICHAEL E DOMINIQUE
SEVEN PINES KLASSY LADY FRANCESCA	SP	13.03	68	None	ANGELA SOLOMON
TEETH: MISSING 105-USED BIRD AT WATER- COAT JUDGED DRY					
SHARP SHOOTERS BELGIUM BREW	GS	10.73	101	II	JOHN C PRICE
T. BOONE BANKS	GS	11.53	112	I	RYAN BANKS
WHITEHAWK'S KING EMMET	GS	15.80	97	III	BERNARD EVANS
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
RIPSNORTER'S QUE SERA SERA	PP	1.98	172	None	DAVID D STEWART
BITE: BUTTBITE					

JUDGES: GERALD W GERTISER II, LANCE T VERNAM, JAMES M ROLLINS

MID-OHIO 04/28/2019 2019-0036

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BACK 40S BRODIE FIELD OF DREAMS	GW	6.73	108	II	BILL F KRIWKO
SNAPPED AT JUDGES DURING TEETH EVALUATION TEMP: Sensitive					
BAKER VALLEY C ROCKIN SEGER	GS	9.57	93	III	DAVID E BUTZIER
POINT OF HONOR BIZZIE DIZZY	GW	12.83	82	None	DUSTIN R MCELROY
USED BIRD AT WATER- COAT NO FURNISHING					
PPDUCORBEAU MOLLY	PP	15.80	112	I	NICHOLAS IANNETTA
REECE RIPSNORTER DARK SIDE OF THE MOON	GW	9.00	112	I	GRANT S SMITH
Utility Preparatory Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
LAIS DES VIGNES ROUGES	GR	4.03	184	I	PHILIPPE G ROCA

JUDGES: GERALD W GERTISER II, LANCE T VERNAM, JAMES M ROLLINS

WILLAMETTE VALLEY 05/03/2019 2019-0037

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BARON AT HAPPY VALLEY GUN DOGS	PP	10.00	94	III	RANDY SCROGGINS
BONE POINT'S DAGGER	GW	13.06	107	I	CHRIS A COPELAND
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GRETA	GS	11.94	110	I	PETER B HALL
CHIPPEWA ZOEY'S HAZEL LUCY	GS	8.39	97	II	LINDSAY J KOPACEK
DONAMOOR'S TRAX BE NIMBLE	WM	12.94	107	II	MAUREEN A CONLEY
BITE: CROSSBITE 303					
HUGHES DOC HAY	ES	18.10	59	Eval	WILLIAM H HUGHES
BIRD USED AT WATER -- COAT JUDGED DRY					
HUN HILL GRAND DUKE OF GROUSE	GR	14.23	101	II	LEE COX
MOTHERLODE'S ENCHANTRASS SASHA	PP	15.29	112	I	RANDY SCROGGINS
STONESTHROW'S NOVEMBER MAN	PP	10.48	112	I	ROB BENTON

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, DOMINIC C BACHMAN, RON GARRISON

WILLAMETTE VALLEY 05/04/2019 2019-0038

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BUBBA LEIF DE LA VIDA	VI	7.45	62	III	LAURI HOAGLAND
CEDARWOODS RUEGR	PP	9.42	101	II	MICHAEL G GILL
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GEORGIE GIRL	GS	11.97	107	I	KENDALL CATES
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GLORIOUS GABBY	GS	11.97	112	I	STEPHEN R FISCHER
TEETH: OVERSHOT					
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GO GET EM NORA	GS	11.97	112	I	DARYL H KINGSMILL
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GUNTHER	GS	11.97	112	I	MICHAEL E SATRAN
TESTES: MONORCHID					
DRIFTING FEATHER'S AUROURA	SM	12.55	89	None	ERIC SCHINDLER
TEETH: EXTRA 105					
HEMI FIREPOWER DAME OF HICKMAN	GR	14.42	112	I	PHILIP L HICKMAN
TEETH: UNDERSHOT					
MOTHERLODE'S FANCY JOULE	PP	13.45	95	III	AUSTIN MITCHELL
WIRESWEST DUKE OF CHESTER	GW	14.29	110	I	TERRY GIRARD
TEETH: UNDERSHOT					

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, DOMINIC C BACHMAN, RON GARRISON

WILLAMETTE VALLEY 05/05/2019 2019-0039

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
BAILEY OF MEADOW VIEW	GS	12.97	110	I	PAT WRAY
CEDARWOODS RIDGEVIEW BANDIT	PP	9.45	112	I	STEVEN KINZNER
TEETH: OVERSHOT					
CHIPPEWA MORGAN'S GREY	GS	12.00	92	III	SHAWN A REVELS
CHIPPEWA RILEY'S RIO	GS	14.97	112	I	TRICIA HALL
ECHO	GW	10.10	99	II	SARA A HAHN
GRAZIANO'S GUN DOG CAINE'S MAZY	BF	12.81	98	III	TIMOTHY CAINE
USED BIRD AT WATER					
HIGH STANDARD'S HAPPY HOUR HENRY	PP	15.84	112	I	PETER R CAINE
HUN HILL HOGAN	GR	12.74	105	II	WILLIAM GUERTLER
IZEL VON HERRENHAUSEN	GR	12.39	88	III	PATRICK J CONNOLLY
THE 7TH LAST MAN	BS	14.90	100	III	FELICIA SHEPHERD
TEETH: EXTRA 204					

JUDGES: PHILIP F SWAIN, DOMINIC C BACHMAN, RON GARRISON

INLAND EMPIRE 04/27/2019 2019-0040

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
FLEMING'S ALL THAT JAZZ	IS	4.77	110	I	CLIFFORD J FLEMING
TEETH: PUPPY TEETH					
FLEMING'S LITTLE DIXIE GIRL	IS	4.77	112	I	CLIFFORD J FLEMING
TEETH: PUPPY TEETH --BITE: UNDERSHOT					
HIGH STANDARD'S HEZA WOODROW	PP	15.57	102	III	DAVE L DELAHOUSIE
HILL TOP MAGGIE	GO	8.50	80	None	VANESSA B HIBBERD
USED BIRD AT WATER					
K NINE'S DAXATRON	BS	10.63	98	III	MARK M MATTESON
KIZMAR CALIBRE'S ELITE JOULE	VI	12.93	112	I	DIXIE A HAMBRICK
STANDING STONES GOLDEN POPPY	GS	13.67	91	III	SCOTT TURCHAN
SZIZLIN SHE'S THE SINE OF PI OVER TWO	VI	9.10	23	None	SUSAN E BARTKY
HANDLER PULLED DOG FROM TEST BEFORE WATER- UNABLE TO JUDGE ATTRIBUTES TEMP: Shy					
WHISKEYTOWN SEAVIEW OSCAR HF	GR	15.73	93	None	HEIDI A HEFFELFINGER
USED BIRD AT WATER					

JUDGES: RUTH A WEISS, GABRIEL D AWBREY, EDWARD A HARRINGTON

FINGER LAKES 05/04/2019 2019-0041

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
DARK STAR'S JAEGER	GW	9.77	112	I	JOEL HOOSE
DOUBLE OAK CHIEF OF THE MIGHTY NIAGARA	BS	13.00	107	I	JEFFREY WETZEL
JUMPING BROOK MATILDA	GS	13.19	83	None	JOHN F LUPO
MUSTAIN'S IKE V EBEN-EZER	SM	11.87	77	None	BRUCE D NEWELL
VERA VON BURKHART	GS	14.65	112	I	TODD R HILLIARD
VINCE VON BURKHART	GS	14.65	98	III	PAUL D GREFRATH
TEETH: BUTTBITE 101,201,301&401					
WET ACRES GGABRIELLA THE HUNTRESS	GR	15.77	103	II	CHRISTOPHER H LAWLER
TEETH: MISSING 305					
WINDHEIM & ESDAY'S WRITTEN IN THE STARS	GS	10.10	46	None	MARTIN CARD
USED BIRD AT WATER- TEETH: MISSING 305					

JUDGES: MELODY L ROTTMANN, DON VANDERLIP, DAVID WOLFF

FINGER LAKES 05/05/2019 2019-0042

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
CORA BELLE ANDREWS	VI	12.29	97	III	CAROLINE ANDREWS
IVY ACRES DAISY LITTLE THING CALLED LOVE	VI	12.29	98	III	AMY L OLSEN
MUSTAIN'S JORAH BECK	SM	6.74	48	None	NATHANIEL WAYMAN
SECOND WIND LAYLA	PP	12.81	112	I	DAVID T SIEJKA
VAN VON BURKHART	GS	14.68	108	I	ALAN P BURKHART

JUDGES: MELODY L ROTTMANN, DON VANDERLIP, DAVID WOLFF

CENTRAL STATES 05/11/2019 2019-0043

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
COPPERSHOT'S QUIET REIGN	GR	14.10	97	III	MAX N STUDER
BITE: BUTTBITE					
DRIFTLESS KENNEL'S BENEDICT BENELLI	SM	15.52	106	II	DEREK WINE
MATILDA VON MAXWELL OF GLENWOOD	GS	15.26	105	II	MICHAEL MAXWELL
ROBINGUN'S LUCKY T LANZO DAXX	SM	13.52	110	I	MICHAEL A GREENBERG
ROBINGUN'S LUCKY T LASKO	SM	13.52	99	II	BENJAMIN K JONES
ROBINGUN'S LUCKY T LEGEND	SM	13.52	102	II	THOMAS A ERNST
ROBINGUN'S LUCKY T LEHYAH CHLOE	SM	13.52	98	III	KYLE A DANA
USED BIRD AT WATER					
ROBINGUN'S LUCKY T LYSSA SUE	SM	13.52	112	I	MARIO E ROBINSON

JUDGES: KRISTINE K HILL, ROBERT T SWEZEY, CHARLES L CASANOVA

CENTRAL STATES 05/12/2019 2019-0044

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
AMARAH ON THE FLY	SM	10.52	107	II	PAMELA M ROBINSON
BOLD SPIRIT'S AMARILLO HIGHWAY	GR	11.26	97	II	JEFF D BARANOWSKI
DOUBLE BARREL'S FLEUR DELACOURT GRYFFNDOR	GR	14.90	62	None	MARTIN RICHTER
OFFERED HANDLER TO OPT TO TAKE GUN SHY AFTER 1ST SHOT HE DECLINED AFTER 2ND SHOT DOG SHUT DOWN AND DID NOT RECOVER. Gun Shy					
HARDWOOD'S TIME TO HEAD NORTH	GS	8.94	108	I	ALEAH GERMAN
MIDNIGHT RUN & ALPINE FORGED IN FIRE	VI	11.32	110	I	JESSICA K MACKEY MD
BITE: UNDERSHOT					

JUDGES: KRISTINE K HILL, ROBERT T SWEZEY, CHARLES L CASANOVA

APPALACHIAN VALLEY 05/04/2019 2019-0045

Natural Ability	Breed	Mo - Yr	Pts	Prz	Owner
EPPS MERICA	GS	11.55	112	I	MARK E DULLY
JUMPING BROOK SNOOKI	GS	13.19	112	I	MARK E DULLY
LA CONDESSA MAXINE DE ATENAS	PB	10.06	92	II	TED A INGRAM
EYES: CHERRY EYE SURGICALY REPAIRED					
ROCK CREEK YORK	PP	10.00	96	None	CHRISTOPHER L RHODES
THORNVALLEY'S NOT IN KANSAS ANYMORE	GS	13.94	112	I	DAVID SCOTT CARPENTER
WINDY CITY GOUDA	SP	15.74	87	III	TROY A WALTERSDORF
WINDY CITY MONTEREY JACK	SP	15.74	105	II	HARALD E JORDAHL
Utility Test	**Breed**	**Mo - Yr**	**Pts**	**Prz**	**Owner**
LAIS DES VIGNES ROUGES	GR	4.05	179	III	PHILIPPE G ROCA

JUDGES: STEPHEN D KANE, RIC KILDOW, RICHARD L RAY

2019 NAVHDA Testing Calendar

Date	Chapter/Location		Test Type	Contact	Telephone	E-mail
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June 29-30	Finger Lakes/Byron, NY	Handler Clinic	Carey Killion	716/830-9834	careykillion@gmail.com
July 13-14	Northern Michigan/Kingsley, MI	Handler Clinic	Jeff Ebert	231/838-5676	jeff.ebert@rocketmail.com
July 20-21	Pacific Nothwest/Cinebar, WA	Handler Clinic	Carl Vinke	206/427-2185	carlbvinke@gmail.com
Sep 12-15	Buckeye/Bloomingdale, OH	Invitational	NAVHDA Office	847/253-6488	navoffice@navhda.org

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