

From the training table of Brent Catura

Greetings from your new chapter president. I was also the chapter president for 8 years from 2002-2010. I have held other positions in our chapter before and after that time. Our new vice president is Chris Trina. Desiree Stormont has agreed to be our test secretary.

We are planning a fun and educational dog training season kick off on Saturday, April 4th at the Mead Dog Training grounds.

As I write this at the end of January, I'm working with a few dogs on trained retrieve/force fetch. If you need help with this contact me. It's a great time to work on your dogs' retrieve during the winter months. After the retrieve training, I will work on steadiness to wing/shot/fall. When the weather warms up, then we can move on to water work. Remember, at all times keep working your dog on obedience training.

The chapter training days will be similar to the past ones, with a few small adjustments to keep everyone learning new skills for themselves and their dogs.

Feb. 14th – 16th will be Pheasant Fest in Minneapolis. Ruth and I will be going on the 14th. Then on the 15th there is a retirement/birthday party in Tomahawk for a chapter member, Scott Daenicke.

Thursday, March 12th will be the Golden Sands Chapter's Ruffed Grouse banquet at Sentry World in Stevens Point. I have a table reserved for NAVHDA members so if you would like to attend let me know and I will send you a flyer. You can indicate on the form that you want to be seated at our table. We have a great time and raise funds for ruffed grouse habitat.

That's it for now, keep those dogs steady and I will see you all soon.

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