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NAVHDA is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to foster, promote, and improve the versatile hunting dog breeds in North America; to conserve game by using well trained reliable hunting dogs before and after the shot; and to aid in prevention of cruelty to animals by discouraging nonselective and uncontrolled breeding, which produces unwanted and uncared for dogs.

**From the training table of Brent Catura, NCW NAVHDA President:**

I have been very busy getting ready for the upcoming training season. I just returned from a meeting with the Mead Grounds staff. The permit for treating pool 5 for the overgrowth of weeds has been sent in. They were very positive about treating pool 5 in late May/early June. So, no more weed pulling/raking days.

I've been working with a number of dogs on trained retrieve/force fetch. They will be ready to move forward in their training as soon as the snow melts and we can get in the field and water areas. How are you doing on your training?

**Upcoming Events:**

- Our new member orientation will be on Saturday, March 28th, 1pm at my kennel. If you are new and plan to attend, let me know at [brcatura@gmail.com](mailto:brcatura@gmail.com) or 715-498-1586 .
- Our first training day is Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Remember to send in your bird orders. Lunch will be at noon so bring a dish to pass. We will also be looking for lunch coordinator/volunteers. Anyone able to help with this, please let me know at [brcatura@gmail.com](mailto:brcatura@gmail.com) or 715-498-1586.
- On May 9<sup>th</sup> we have a blood tracking/deer tracking seminar scheduled with Sean Timmons. More info to come.
- Our Mentor Day will be June 13<sup>th</sup>. This is primarily for dogs and handlers that want to learn the intricacies to go from NA to the UT level. Which often seems like a big step. Though the Mentor Day will be open to all that need help with dog training. More info to come.

Well that's all for now, keep those dogs pointing steady, be seeing you soon.

## Important Dates

**New Member Orientation:** March 28, 1PM at Drumming Wood Kennel, 5945 Lone Elm Road Junction City. The event is free, but please contact Brent at 715-498-1586 or [brcatura@gmail.com](mailto:brcatura@gmail.com) if you plan to attend so he has enough booklets.

**Training dates:** April 4, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22

We also have the Mead grounds reserved for unofficial training dates (*bring your own birds and equipment*) on all Tuesdays beginning at 4PM and Saturday, May 25.

**Test dates:** June 4 (set up), June 5, June 6, June 7, August 27 (set up), 28, 29, 30. Please do not use the fields on set up days. Test Secretary: Desiree Stormont, 4915 Grant Street, Omaha, NE 68104414, 870-3306, [toldt@uwalumni.com](mailto:toldt@uwalumni.com). Test entry forms available at [ncwnavhda.org](http://ncwnavhda.org).

**Other events** (details TBA):

Blood tracking seminar: May 9, 8AM-5PM, Mead Dog Training Grounds and nearby indoor site. Fee TBA.

Mentored training day: June 13, all day, Mead Dog Training Grounds. Fee TBA.

## Bird Orders

BIRDS MUST BE ORDERED AT LEAST TEN DAYS PRIOR TO TRAINING DAY. Pigeons are limited to 10 birds per training day. We cannot guarantee the availability of pigeons so please source your own if possible.

Order *pigeons, pheasants or chukars* at <https://www.ncwnavhda.org/bird-orders.html>. For questions contact Brian Werner at [ncwnavhdabirdorder@gmail.com](mailto:ncwnavhdabirdorder@gmail.com) (do not use this email to order birds).

To order *ducks* contact Brent Catura at [brcatura@gmail.com](mailto:brcatura@gmail.com) or (715) 457-948

## Training Permits

The DNR requires a dog training permit when using game birds outside official NAVHDA events, <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/hunt/birddog.html>.

## Membership Information

You must be a member of NAVHDA International to join NCWNAVHDA chapter and participate in chapter activities. See [www.ncwnavhda.org](http://www.ncwnavhda.org) for form.

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