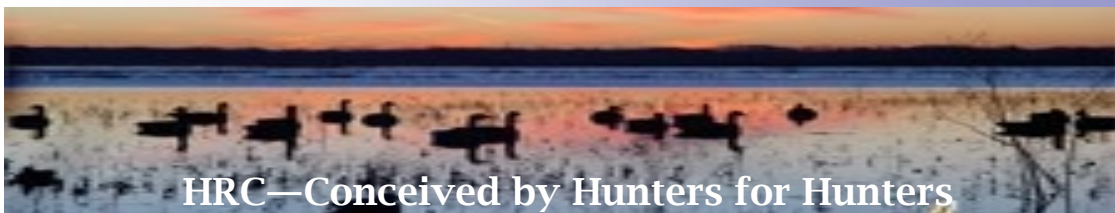




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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 12	Judges/Handlers Seminar
Mar 13	Upland Training Day
Mar 19&20	Central Rockies Upland
Mar 19	Judges/Handlers Seminar
Mar 26 & 27	Hidden Pines Upland HT
Apr 2	Training Day
Apr 2-6	Spring Grand, MS
Apr 9	Roadrunner 1-Day HT
Apr 12	New Member Class Session #2
Apr 15	Chris Akin Seminar
Apr 16 & 17	Salt Valley Hunt Test
April 17	Training Day
Apr 16 & 17	Handler Seminar hosted by SCHRC

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Message From Your President



I am very excited that spring is around the corner and that our upland training day will be Sunday, March 13th, coordinated by Curt Lacey. The club is providing one chucker per club member for those that would like to use the opportunity to work with live birds. Additional chucker's are \$9.00 each. Make sure to let Curt know if you plan to attend and if you would like to purchase additional birds (curt.lacey@yahoo.com). This is a great opportunity to work on training your dog to sit to flush if you desire your dog to do so, learn and observe what is required of a dog to pass an upland hunt test, prepare for the next weekends test if you plan on entering, or to just take advantage of the opportunity for your dog to flush and retrieve a live bird out in the field. The Central Rockies Back-to-Back Upland Hunt is on March 19th and 20th in Fort Lupton. The premium is available on our website for those planning on entering their test. Even if you don't plan on entering, you may want to come by and enjoy watching the dogs work.

Joe Olsen has outlined a series of started classes designed for new members. The first class will coincide with our April 2nd training day at Mary's place. We plan to utilize live and or freshly killed birds for training that day which will allow for an opportunity to expose the young dogs to birds in a controlled environment. I am planning on taking advantage of these classes with our new puppy. By April 2nd, our puppy will be ten weeks and four days old and ready for some serious socializing. You do not have to have a puppy, however, to benefit from all that is included in these classes (see class outline). These classes and all of our training days provide great opportunities to invite others to see what PVHRC is all about.

Make sure to check out our website calendar for future training days and hunt tests in our region. If you have never ventured out to participate in another Hunting Retriever Club's hunt test in our State or in one of our neighboring States, you will want to do that some time. The experience and exposure to different terrain and hunting environments is invaluable for your dog, and it's a lot of fun! In addition to the training days on the calendar, there will be evening training groups forming during the week soon in April. The mid week training nights can be very rewarding and provide for additional opportunities to learn from the experience of others.

Lastly, I want to let members know that all are welcome to attend our club board meetings which are the second Wednesday of the month at Gander Mountain in Thornton at 7:00pm. Thank you all for being members of Platte Valley Retriever Club!

Mike

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THIS NEWSLETTER IS THE 26th OF EACH

MONTH. Materials received after the deadline will not be included. Submissions are subject to the editor's decision on inclusion and may be edited. Opinions are those of the various authors and may not express the official position of the PVHRC, Inc.

Members' contributions and responses are encouraged



February Meeting Minutes

From hereon the Meeting Minutes will be summarized in the President's Letter.

"... the best duck blinds are those designed to give us a chance to think, for the periods between flights were meant for musing ..."

--Matthew B. Connolly Jr., in the foreword to Wildfowler's Season by Chris Dorsey, 1995

***Next Meeting March 9
7:00 pm—Gander Mountain***

9923 Grant Street

[Near I-25 & 104th Ave in the Thornton Town Center]

DIRECTIONS TO MARY'S PLACE

(GPS Coordinates 40° 5'56.47"N, 104°42'56.59"W) [map](#)

Directions from Longmont (North):

East on Hwy 66 to US 85; South on US 85 to CR18
East on CR18 to CR37; South on 37 approx. .1.3 mi.
Turn east just after the farmhouse and just before the gas tanks on the east side.

Directions from South Longmont:

East on Hwy 52, over I25 and thru Ft. Lupton
Drive about 5 miles past Ft Lupton and turn left (north) on CR37.
North on CR37 approx. .1.3 mi.
Turn east just after the gas tanks and just before the farmhouse on the east side.

Directions from Denver:

North on I-25 to I-76; East on I-76 to US 85; North on US 85 to Ft. Lupton [Hwy 52]; East on Hwy 52 thru Ft. Lupton & about 5 miles past Ft Lupton and turn left (north) on CR37.

North on CR37 approx. .1.3 mi.
Turn east just after the gas tanks and just before the farm side on the east side.

[or instead of turning North on US 85, you can stay on I-76 to Hwy 52 & turn West on CR37]; Then North on CR37 approx 1.3 mi.

Drive East on dirt path to where you see trucks

**UPLAND TRAINING DAY
MARCH 13 8:30 A.M.**

**PVHRC will be using Chukars and Curt Lacey needs to know by MARCH 8 how many you would like to purchase so that we will have plenty of time to get the order turned in. The cost of Chukars are \$9/bird plus the club will be buying one chukar per attending member towards your order. If weather looks nasty, Curt will notify you if cancelled. Remember, let Curt know by March 8
curt.lacey@yahoo.com**

FREE MEMBERSHIP!!

We are always looking for additional training grounds.

As an incentive to members, if you bring contact information concerning solid training property that leads to us leasing the property, you will receive a "finder's fee" of a free year of PVHRC Membership for next year!



New Members,

We'll be holding a Started Dog Training Class again this spring. Experienced members of the club will lead the different sessions. The intent is to help young dogs and/or inexperienced handlers get a good start on their training, get involved with the club and meet other members.

Each session will be approximately two hours long and will consist of a tailgate discussion followed by field work. Everyone should plan to bring their dogs. Since we'll be spending some time talking it is good if everyone has a crate or other way to put their dogs up until it is their turn in the field. Everyone should also bring plenty of water for their dogs, sunscreen, bug dope and appropriate clothes for typical Colorado Spring weather (jacket, rain coat, . . . snow boots?)

All dogs are welcome. Whether you have a young pup or an older inexperienced dog we will adjust field work as needed to fit the needs of those who attend.

The classes are free to PVHRC members. Also, if anyone knows someone who is not a member but who has a hunting retriever be sure to spread the word and invite them along. For more information contact Joe Olson at joeolson@yahoo.com

PVHRC 2011 Started Dog Training Class Schedule

Session 1 - Program Introduction and Basic Training Concepts

Date/Time: Saturday, April 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Mary's

Session 2 – Marked Retrieves for Hunting Retrievers

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 12, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

Location: Mary's

Session 3 – Reliable Delivery to Hand

Date/Time: Sunday, April 17, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Mary's

Session 4 – Introduction to Blind Retrieve Concepts

Date/Time: Saturday, April 23, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Mary's

Session 5 – Fun Hunt

Date/Time: Saturday, May 7, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Mary's

May 14 & 15 Platte Valley HRC Spring Back-to-Back Regular Hunt



MEMBERSHIP FEES DUE!

GET YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES IN NOW

THE NEWEST APPLICATION/RENEWAL; FORM IS ON THE WEBSITE; WWW.PVHRC.COM



*****IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED,*****

*****THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER*****

If you can help Rich Jenke and Robert Dixon with scanning and organizing Platte Valley files and history, contact Mike Schwan mjschwan@msn.com



BE SURE TO CHECK THE CALENDAR ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL CLUBS THAT HAVE EITHER CANCELLED/MOVED/ADDED DATES.

TUESDAY NIGHT TRAINING STARTING MARCH 15 — after 5:00 p.m.

TOM WASKOSKY HAS VOLUNTEERED HIS TIME AND PROPERTY TO WORK WITH STARTED AND SEASONED DOGS.

2215 SOUTH FLINT RIDGE COURT—TAKE I-70 EAST 4 MILES PAST WATKINS. EXIT MANILA ROAD, GO SOUTH 3 TO 4 MILES. THE PAVEMENT WILL TURN LEFT BUT STAY STRAIGHT ON THE GRAVEL FOR 1 1/2 MILES. TURN WEST AT THE FIRST RIGHT ON EVANS AVENUE. CONTINUE WEST ABOUT 1/2 MILE AND THE ROAD WILL TURN SOUTH INTO FLINT RIDGE COURT.

FINISHED DOGS ARE WELCOME BUT THE WORK FOR THEM MAY BE LIMITED BECAUSE OF PROPERTY SIZE.

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL TOM AT (303) 227-9815; TANGEEMEI@MYEDL.COM



Judging/Handling Seminar

**MARCH 12 @ COLORADO STATE FAIRGROUNDS IN THE
CULTURAL ARTS BUILDING**

8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

1001 BEULAH AVE, PUEBLO, CO 81004

MORNING WILL BE SPENT IN THE CLASSROOM, BUT AS A NEW FEATURE, PARTICIPANTS WILL BE DOING FIELD WORK IN THE AFTERNOON WHERE EACH PARTICIPANT WILL GET TO JUDGE THREE DOGS IN A REAL TEST SCENARIO. THEN THERE WILL BE A DISCUSSION ON JUDGES BRIEFING, TEST SETUP, GUN SAFETY, AND ALL THE COMPONENTS THAT MAKE UP A TEST. FIELD REP, JOHN KLOMP [JKDUTCH@MSN.COM] WILL BE RUNNING THE SEMINAR.

THIS IS BEING HOSTED BY THE SOUTHERN COLORADO CLUB. THEY WILL PROVIDE COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS IN THE MORNING AND WILL ASK EACH PARTICIPANT FOR A \$5 DONATION TO COVER THE COST OF LUNCH AND AFTERNOON SNACKS.



**NEW MEMBER CLASS
BEGINS APRIL 2**

**CHECK OUT
DETAILS ON
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JUDGING/HANDLING SEMINAR

LINCOLN, NE

MARCH 19, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Biggerstaff Plumbing & Heating

3605 N. 40th

Lincoln, NE

Contact Troy Bailey

troyb@averyoutdoors.com

Presenter—Pat Johnson, Field Rep

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SHARE A RIDE



If anyone is interested in sharing a ride or to share a room, let me know and I'll hook you up.

Email hrcPR@msn.com if interested

2011 Calendar

DATE	Legend: Approved R13 Hunt Tests, Other Events, PV Training & Other		
March 12	Judges/Handlers Seminar, Colo State Fair Grounds, Cultural Arts Bldg, 1001 Beulah Ave, Pueblo, CO 81004; 8:00-4:00, \$5 f/lunch; instr John Klomp; questions contact Lee Ann laheldt@hotmail.com	April 23	Training Day—Joe Olson Coordinator New Member Class-Session#4-Coordinator JoeOlson
March 13	Upland Training Day — Curt Lacey Coordinator—Mary's Place	Apr30 & May 1	Great Plains Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Kearney, NE
Mar 19&20	Central Rockies Back-to-Back Upland Colorado Premium	May 7	Training Day—Robert Dixon Coordinator New Member Fun Hunt—Coordinator Joe Olson
Mar 19	Judges/Handlers Seminar, Lincoln, NE; 8:30; Biggerstaff Plumbing and Heating, 3605 N. 40th; Instuc Pat Johnson; Questions-Troy Bailey troyb@averyoutdoors.com, (402) 440-0784	May 13	Regional Meeting Open to all Region 13 HRC Members
Mar 26&27	Hidden Pines Back-to-Back Upland Hunt, Cheyenne, WY NEW	May 14 & 15	Platte Valley Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Snyder, CO
Apr 2	Training Day—Mike Schwann Coordinator New Member Class-Session#1-Coordinator JoeOlson	May 21 & 22	Southern Colorado Back-to-Back Reg Hunt Pueblo, CO
April 2-6	2011 Spring Grand, Grenada, MS	May 28 & 29	Western Colorado Back-to-Back Reg Hunt Rifle, CO Premium
April 9	Roadrunner HRC One Day Regular Hunt in New Mexico	June 4 & 5	Hidden Pines HRC Back-to-Back Reg Hunt Cheyenne, WY
Apr 12	New Member Class—Session#1 Coordinator Joe Olson	June 9-12	National Meeting in Memphis
Apr 15	Chris Akin Handling Seminar—Day before SV hunt test; Hosted by SVHRC & Avery Sporting Dogs For more info contact Troy Bailey; troyb@averyoutdoors.com	June 18	Training Day—Mike Brockman Coordinator
Apr 16 & 17	Salt Valley Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Premium Lincoln, NE-DATE MOVED FROM APR 9&10	June25 &26	Laramie Peak Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Douglas, WY
Apr 16 & 17	Platte River Back-to-Back Regular Hunt North Platte, NE DATE MOVED to TBA	July 9 & 10	Panhandle Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Scottsbluff, NE
April 17	Training Day—Robert Dixon Coordinator New Member Class-Session#3-Coordinator JoeOlson	July 16	Platte Valley Picnic/Auction [Tentative]
Apr 16-17	Handler's Seminar taught by Chris Jobman Contact Jim Davis[SchRC] trailsendtaxi@hotmail.com	July 16 & 17	Arkansas Valley Back-to-Back Regular Hunt Lamar, CO CANCELLED
		July 31	Training Day— Mike Schwan Coordinator
		Aug 6 & 7	Platte Valley Back-to-Back Reg Hunt Ft. Lupton, CO
		Aug 20 & 21	Elkhorn Valley HRC Back-to-Back Reg Hunt Norfolk, NE
		August 28	Training Day—Mike Schwan Coordinator
		Sep 10 & 11	Roadrunner Back-to-Back Regular Hunt New Mexico [tentative]