

# MHSA News

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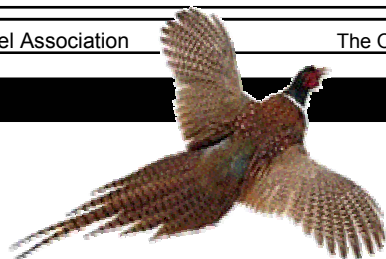
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Winter is here, right, I think.... At any rate the holidays are fast approaching. With that comes the end of another successful year for the MHSA. Both the club and its members have accomplished much this year. Let me take a moment to reflect.

January was a time to recognize achievements of 2010

February, the Duck shoot... the only time of year when tennis balls are not your dog's friend.

In March the year's events started to come together

April was time to hunker down and get ready for upcoming opportunities to show what we do with our dogs.

May brought the first event of the year, the Spring Hunt Test. A good turn out with many good times

In June came the first club training day and FUN TRIALS!!!

July, more club training, fun trials, and planning for fall events

August, a break from the heat and time to do some water training at our annual club picnic

September, fall approaches and our Fall Hunt Test takes place

October, MHSA hosts for the first time the National Cocker Championship

November HUNTING SEASON!!! 'Nuf said

December is here, and we welcome in a new newsletter editor. Please welcome Brett Edstrom as our new newsletter editor. Look for his first edition next month in January. Any article submissions can be sent to [pntjudge@hcinet.net](mailto:pntjudge@hcinet.net)

My last edition as editor is packed with information on upcoming events. Please pay particular attention to the Annual Awards Banquet information and remember to send in your award submissions. I hope to see you all at one of my favorite MHSA traditions, the Indoor Duck Shoot!

# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2012 ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 31st 2011



The **Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association** is an American Kennel Club licensed, non-profit club organized to:

- PROVIDE** information and education for members and the public on the care, breeding, training and ability testing of purebred flushing spaniels.
- PROMOTE** family-friendly activities for owners of purebred flushing spaniels.
- CONDUCT** training programs, hunting tests, working trials and related events to promote our breeds' abilities.
- ENCOURAGE** sportsmanship in all dog events and activities.

The MHS A is dedicated to the American Cocker Spaniel, American Water Spaniel, Boykin Spaniel, Clumber Spaniel, English Cocker Spaniel, English Springer Spaniel, Field Spaniel, Sussex Spaniel, Welsh Springer Spaniel and Airedale Terrier.

General membership meetings are held in the Twin Cities area. Meetings are open to all family members, guests and interested individuals.

Regular annual events include club picnics, training days, holiday parties, awards banquet and election, field trials, fun trials, working dog tests and hunting tests.

We join with other dog clubs to sponsor events of interest to spaniel owners and other breed fanciers. We work with the community and social service agencies to provide special services and activities to benefit animals and people.

Many of our club members are very knowledgeable about dog care, training and breeding and are willing to assist other dog owners.

The \$35.00 annual membership is for an individual or family, and up to two voting members may be designated for each paid membership. All family members may participate in club activities and awards programs.

## Membership Application / Membership Renewal Form

New Membership     Renewal    Membership Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Names of voting members (up to two/paid membership) 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell/other Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dogs in household: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed(s) \_\_\_\_\_

What are your goals with the club? Hunting \_\_\_\_\_ Hunt Tests \_\_\_\_\_ Field Trials \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

What skills could you contribute to the club? \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail application with \$35 annual membership fee to:  
Heidi Reinhardt, Membership Chair, 406 East 5<sup>th</sup> St, New Richmond, WI 54017



**Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association**

**Annual Banquet**

**Saturday, January 21, 2012**

**The Sunshine Factory**

**7600 – 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave. N.**

**New Hope, MN 55427**

**Cocktails and Light Appetizer – 5:30 p.m.**

**(Private Cash Bar)**

**Dinner – 6:30 p.m.**

**Awards and raffle to follow dinner**

**Dinner**

**House salad with Mandarin oranges, walnuts, mixed greens and tangy vinaigrette dressing**

**Baked potato, sour cream and butter**

**Chef's vegetable choice**

**Assorted dinner rolls**

**Dinner entrée choice**

**Top Sirloin with Sautéed mushrooms**

**Or**

**Boneless Stuffed Pork Chop**

**Or**

**Broiled Herb Chicken**

**Dessert – Traditional MHSA Cake**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_**

**Number Attending x \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_**

**Sirloin \_\_\_\_\_ Pork Chop \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_**

**Make check payable to: MHSA**

**\*\*Due by January 14, 2011\*\***

**Mail to: Bethann Wiley 13733 Square Lake Trail N. Stillwater, MN 55082**

**Questions: email [bethannwiley@yahoo.com](mailto:bethannwiley@yahoo.com) or call 651-351-0049**



It's time to send in your dogs' accomplishments  
for the past year!!!

**MHSA Awards Form 2011**  
**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!**

Owners Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

List AKC Titles Earned this year: \_\_\_\_\_

List parent club Titles Earned this year: \_\_\_\_\_

List all-age field trial placements earned this year. Designate placement (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, CM) and indicate the type of trial (Open, Amateur, Nat'l Cocker Championship, Nat'l Amateur Championship, Nat'l Open Championship): \_\_\_\_\_

List number of legs earned toward an uncompleted hunting test title this year: \_\_\_\_\_ Title name: \_\_\_\_\_

List other (non-AKC, non-parent club) awards and achievements earned this year: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of the following:

I have a plaque for this dog & only need award chevrons to place on the plaque.

I do not yet have a plaque for this dog.

You may also list a few brief highlights, funny moments, or comments about your dog's accomplishments for this past year if you would like to have them shared at the banquet.

**Awards Requirements:** An award shall be given for any dog that earned a title, all-age field trial placement, or final qualifying score while the owner was an active member of the MHSA, provided that at the time it was earned the dog:

- 1) Was owned or co-owned by the club member(s) or an immediate family member living within the same household;
- 2) Resided within that same household or temporarily with their designated agent/handler and;
- 3) Was handled to the title by one of the individuals described above.

Please fill out one form for each dog earning a title, FT placement, or legs toward titles and return to:

Kathy Patregnani, 7317 Vinewood Court, Maple Grove, MN 55311  
vinewoodess@hotmail.com



## **MHSA Outstanding Achievement Award**

### Criteria:

1. The Outstanding Achievement Award will be presented to the spaniel that earns the most AKC and parent club titles and legs toward other titles during the award year.
2. A minimum of three titles completed is required, of which only one can be a parent club title.
3. The award year is the calendar year. January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Only titles earned while an MHSA member in good standing will be considered.
5. If more than one person owns the dog, only one owner needs to be an MHSA member.
6. Only new parent club titles will be recognized. Example: If a dog earned a WD in an earlier year, then an additional WD earned this year could not be counted as one of the titles for the current year's award.
7. The titles and legs toward titles to be recognized are the AKC titles as follows:
  - Field:** FC, AFC, JH, SH, MH, WD, WDX, all-age field trial placement, or any other parent club hunting certificate
  - Obedience:** CD, CDX, UD, UDX, OTCH and any other AKC obedience titling class
  - Breed:** CH
  - Tracking:** TD, TDX, VST and CT
  - Agility:** NA, OA, AX, MX, NAJ, OAJ, AXJ, MXJ, MACH, and any other AKC agility titling class
8. Multiple titles may be earned in the same area. Example: WDX, SH and MH would qualify for the award.
9. The dog must have earned, either previously, or in the current year: a hunt test title, field trial title, or working dog (parent club) title.
10. In the case of a tie, all tying recipients will be recognized.
11. Owners of contending dogs are responsible for reporting their dog's titles. An award form will be provided each year in the club newsletter. The award will be presented at the annual awards banquet.

Owners Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Titles completed in 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of legs earned toward uncompleted titles:

Name of uncompleted title:	Number of legs earned this year:

Please submit to:

Kathy Patregnani, 7317 Vinewood Court, Maple Grove, MN 55311  
vinewoodess@hotmail.com

## Glenhurst Versatility Award

The criteria for this award are as follows:

1. The Versatility Award will be presented to the spaniel which, over the lifetime of the dog, completes a title in three of the six areas listed below.
  - Breed:** CH
  - Obedience:** CD, CDX, UD, UDX, OTCH and any other AKC obedience titling class
  - Hunting:** JH, SH, MH, WD, WDX, or any other parent club recognized hunting title
  - Field:** FC, AFC, NFC, NAFC, or all-age field trial placement
  - Agility:** NA, NAP, NAJ, NJP, OA, OAJ, OAP, OJP, AX, AXJ, AJP, AXP, MX, MXJ, MJP, MXP, MACH and any other AKC agility titling class
  - Tracking:** TD, TDX, VST and CT
2. One of the title areas must be Hunting or Field.
3. If more than one person owns the dog, only one owner needs to be an MHSA member.
4. A dog may only earn the versatility award one time.
5. Titles in at least one of the three categories must have been completed while the owner was a member in good standing of the MHSA, and during the award year.
6. The award year is the current calendar year. January 1 to December 31.
7. All dogs and owners who qualify for this award will be recognized.
8. Owners of contending dogs are responsible for reporting their dog's titles. An award form will be provided each year in the club newsletter. The award will be presented at the annual awards banquet.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

### Glenhurst Versatility Award

Owners Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Titles completed in 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

Titles earned in previous years: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit to:

Kathy Patregnani, 7317 Vinewood Court, Maple Grove, MN 55311  
vinewoodess@hotmail.com

# CCI Veteran's Achievement Award

*Sponsored by Ann Sunderman*

This award is offered in recognition of our veteran dogs that are still active and achieving great things, and to the owners who demonstrate true dedication toward them.

The criteria for this award are as follows:

1. The CCI Veteran's Achievement Award will be presented to the spaniel owned by a club member in good standing that completes an AKC or parent club title, receives an AKC field trial placement, and/or receives an MHSA Fun Trial placement after seven (7) years of age.
2. The award year is the current calendar year. January 1 to December 31.
3. Dogs must have earned, either previously or during the year of the award, a hunt test title, field title, field trial placement, or working (parent club) title.
4. All AKC titles and AKC field trial placements received during the year will be recognized. Placements in any MHSA Fun Trial during the year will also be recognized.
5. Only titles/placements earned while the owner was a member in good standing of the MHSA will be considered.
6. A dog may earn the Veteran's Achievement Award multiple times. (One award per dog each year, regardless of the number of titles/placements earned during the year.)
7. All dogs and owners who qualify for this award will be recognized.
8. Owners of contending dogs are responsible for reporting their dog's titles. An award form will be provided each year in the club newsletter. The award will be presented at the annual awards banquet.

If your dog qualifies for this award, please submit the form below. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

## CCI Veteran's Achievement Award

Owners Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Number (AKC or other, please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Titles/placements received in 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

MHSA Fun Trial placements received in 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Age at time title/placement was received: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit to:

Kathy Patregnani, 7317 Vinewood Court, Maple Grove, MN 55311  
vinewoodess@hotmail.com

# MHSA'S INDOOR DUCK SHOOT



Join us for an afternoon of games  
with your dogs.

Please bring an appetizer, snack or dessert to share.

Saturday, January 28th, 2012

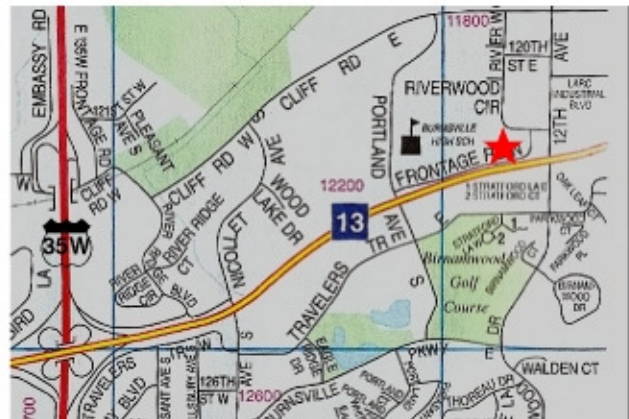
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Tails Up Dog Training

1116 East Hwy 13

Burnsville, Mn

Next to American Boarding kennel



If children will be attending, please fill out this form so that we can  
plan for age appropriate game prizes.

Number of children attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of children attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail form to:

Jon Pidde  
14995 Williamsburg Ct  
Eden Prairie, Mn 55347

OR

e-mail:

Jon Pidde  
j5of12\_pidde@visi.com

# MHSA August Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 2nd, 2011, 6:30 PM via conference call

## 1. CALL TO ORDER (establish quorum)

Dean Koehler - Present                      Bethann Wiley - Present  
Nate Reinhardt - Present                      Lynn Lynch - Present  
Kathy Patregnani - Not Present                      Hudson Nichols - Present  
Curt Poquette - Present                      Scott Lichty – Not Present  
Chris Dartt - Present

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Moved and approved

## 3. SECRETARY'S REPORT –

## 4. TREASURER'S REPORT – \$9339.85 balance – 2 checks outstanding – total will be \$8639.85

## 5. COMMITTEE REPORTS – none

## 6. CLUB EVENTS for 2011

### July 30 (Sat), – MHSA Water Training, Summer Picnic & Membership Meeting - Bend's, Afton

Chair: Dick Bend

Membership Meeting – Vote on clarification of votes/membership & membership count to establish quorum – established quorum, passed amendment – see Summer Membership Meeting minutes.

### July Training Days – July 31 (Sun)

The new plan is to have 2 training days in July. One daytime (Saturday) at Good Going Kennels, and one evening training session at Major Avenue.

Chair: Bethann Wiley

### August 21 (Sun) – Fun Trial - Major Avenue

Chair: Linda Simon

### August \_\_\_\_ – Training Day (daytime) – Good Going Kennels?

Chair: Bethann Wiley?

### September 10 & 11 (Sat-Sun) – AKC Spaniel Hunt Tests - Good Going Kennels

Headquarters motel: Americinn of Baldwin

Chair: Hudson Nichols, Secretary: Heidi Reinhardt

Other committee members: Dick Bend, Nadine Kohn, Curt Poquette, Nate Reinhardt, Linda Simon, Bethann Wiley

Head Marshall: Nadine Kohn

Gun Captain: John Dartt

Game Stewards: Curt Poquette

Judges: Duane Maki, Jim Lynch, Deb Schoene, Dean Koehler

### October 27-30 (Thur-Sun) 2011 Nat'l Cocker Championship Field Trial – Little Moran Hunting Club, Staples, MN

Chair: Kim Wiley, Secretary: Bethann Wiley

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

**A) Major Avenue – individual memberships – Charlie Casey checking with Major Avenue**

**B) Constitutional Amendment passed at the Summer Meeting.**

## Revisions to Article II. Section 2. Types of Membership

Send revisions to AKC and change on club website

Change membership form – ask for names of up to two voting members

**C) Other Old Business?** - none

## 8. NEW BUSINESS –

**A) Sponsor silent auction item for NCC?**

**B) Catalog ad for NCC?** Proposal to create a full page add in the NCC catalog representing the MHSA and welcoming participants to the event etc. Cost is \$100. Moved and approved.

Proposal to donate \$200 towards sponsoring a trophy for the NCC. Moved and approved.

**C) MHSA Awards Banquet/Membership Meeting in January – Chair, location & organization?**

Seeking volunteers from the club to chair or make suggestions for location etc.

**D) Appoint nominating committee**

Chair: Hudson Nichols

Member: Heidi Reinhardt

## 9. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS –

Karen Snyder, Rochester – owns 2 American Cockers, interested in hunt tests

**The board would like to welcome Karen Snyder to the MHSA. Membership approved.**

**10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT –** none

**11. ADJOURNMENT –** Moved and approved.

The next MHSA board meeting will be held Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at The Sunshine Factory, 7600 42nd Av N, New Hope

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Constitution changes need to be made at the MHSA website.

Are these submitted to the AKC?

Decreased the number of board meetings.

Article III. Section 3: Board Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held in January, February, March, April, June, August, October and December, either in person within the greater Twin Cities area or by conference call on dates selected by the Board at such hours and places as may be designated by the Board. No more than four meetings within a calendar year shall be held by conference call. The decision to hold a meeting by conference call must be made at the preceding board meeting, except in the case of special board meetings. Written notice of each such meeting shall be mailed or e-mailed by the Secretary at least 5 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board. Such Board meetings are open to the general membership.

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Nominating Committee - Changed the month for appointing members from September to August. Dropped the two alternates (committee is composed of 3 members only).

Article V. Section 4: Nominations

No person who has not been nominated may be a candidate in an Association election. Any Association member in good standing may be nominated. During the month of August, the Board shall select a Nominating Committee consisting of three members, not more than one of whom may be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall immediately notify the committee members of their selection. The Board shall name a Chair for the Committee and it shall be his/her duty to call a committee meeting which shall be held on or before October 15th.

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Clarified membership count and voting rights per paid membership.

Article II. Section 2: Types of Membership

There shall be one type of membership. Two individuals aged 18 or older residing in the same household may apply on the same application and in such case shall pay dues the same as for an individual membership. Both of the individuals designated as voting members on said application shall have the right to vote at membership meetings. In addition to the two designated voting members, all other household members including any children under the age of 18, are entitled to all additional rights, privileges and awards within the Association, excluding voting.



**Secretary: Scott Lichty**

**Board Members: Chris Dart, Hudson Nichols, Lynda Lenzen, Ali Reda, Charlie Schlatter**

**Additional nominations are accepted until January 1, 2012, However, any nominations must be accompanied by a written acceptance of the nomination from the nominee.**

**B) MHSА Awards Banquet/Membership Meeting in January – Chair, location & organization?**

**We are looking for volunteers to coordinate the banquet and membership meeting in January, please contact Dean Koehler if you are interested in accepting this duty.**

**C) Year-end awards – nothing to report**

**D) Other New Business-**

**Hunt Test Judging Seminar** – Need to verify when and where other seminars are being held to ensure that we are not overlapping. Based upon this information the MHSА will decide whether to schedule a seminar to be hosted by our club.

**9. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS – none**

**10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – none**

**11. ADJOURNMENT – action requested**

Moved and approved.

The next MHSА board meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on December 1<sup>st</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>? via conference call

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