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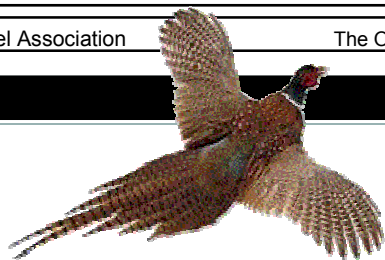
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From the President ...

Dear club members,

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First, a reminder that the summer picnic takes place next Saturday at 9:00 at our house in Afton. You can find details at a later page in the newsletter. Plan to come. We always have good fun for the dogs, good food and great company.

I have been reflecting recently on numbers... specifically dog numbers. For most of my adult life I have had one or two dogs. Recently I've had four dogs and am now down to three again. One, as any preschooler knows, is a simple number. One dog times a problem leaves you with just the one problem you started with. That is the way one works. Two dogs times two humans, on the other hand, can result in four problems, sometimes even more if the humans disagree about the dog problems (each dog causing a problem with each human gives you four problems and the two humans disagreeing about how to solve each of the four problems... well, you get the idea).

Now, the most common way for people with lots of dogs to deal with this multiplication issue is by putting all the dogs outside in kennels. Viola, the human / dog conflict is solved. These dogs now become not household members, intimately known in all their behaviors (some of those behaviors are what you're trying to get away from, right), but rather tools in the hunter's toolchest, or on the field-trialer's team. In either case they increase the odds of success by their sheer numbers. One has a bad day at a trial, another a good day and you've got a placement. One is lame, another on fire, you've got roosters in your vest.

For those who keep dogs as companions, however, the intimacy with each dog evaporates when it is put in a kennel. This is why people with many dogs have a "house dog", or perhaps two. The rest are relegated to kennel Siberia and their complaints silenced with anti-bark collars, as needed.

More house dogs destroy the intimacy with each. The interaction time with each dog is reduced in proportion to the number of dogs. So what camp are you in? Is it the one you want to be in? If you have only one dog, would you really enjoy more? If you have more than one, could you really get along with fewer?

During the years when job and children took up most of my time, one seemed right. Now, with more time, I've concluded three is about right. We enjoy three in the house, relegating them to the kennel only when we are away.

If they are kept in good shape I can get through several days of hunting easily by rotating them during each day. I usually have a couple the right ages to play trial and hunt test games. Three works for me. I don't recommend it for those of you who feel a need to win; in that case, more is definitely better if you have time to train them all... but don't expect to have energy to keep them all in your house!

I think the rule is, don't get more dogs than you need... or fewer. The important thing to keep in mind is what you need them for. If it is primarily companionship, more isn't better. If it is for hunting or field trialing more can be better, but limited by your time, your spouse's tolerance and your pocket-book.

My Best

Richard Bend

WATER TRAINING & CLUB PICNIC

When: 9:00 a.m. Saturday, August 1, 2009

Where: 1002 Stagecoach Tr. S., Afton, MN

Directions: will be e-mailed to those who RSVP to rbend@bendellingson.com

ACTIVITIES FOR DOGS

Beginning dogs:

Water familiarization and water play will take place on the beach where we all trained last year. Bring shorts or swimming suit if you're going to wade or swim with a young dog. This is a relatively unstructured. Handlers can spread out along the isthmus between the muddy pond on one side and the clear lake on the other and do whatever they feel is appropriate for their own dog.

Experienced dogs:

Like last year, there will be a course of retrieves from different stations which you and your dog will walk to in a hunt test like format... but no one is keeping score and you don't have to wait in line, just go to another location if one is full! Hand thrown or launched dummies may be used. Dogs can be worked at each station as long as you want, so long as you don't keep others waiting too long. Participation will require walking a total distance of approximately a quarter mile. While the length of retrieves can be adjusted to the experience level of your dog, dogs not used to water and obstacles will learn more at the beginner's area due to the nature of the following challenges:

Short marked retrieve through water clogged with weeds and lily pads.

Short marked retrieve through very dense brush and blow-downs.

Long marked retrieve in clear water

Medium marked retrieve through reeds and decoys.

Short blind retrieve across a channel.

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ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE

Picnic. We are supplying barbequed game birds and venison. The club will supply soft drinks. Bring anything else you would like for yourselves, or as potluck.

Sporting Clays. After the picnic at Game Unlimited. Game Unlimited is a ten or fifteen minute drive from our house, so anyone interested should let me know, bring your gun and at least two boxes of shells for each round you'll be shooting, and we'll caravan to sporting clays after the picnic. There are three sporting courses to choose from, all with automatic traps, plus mini-tower and five-stand for the adventurous. Young shooters and women get a drastically reduced rate, so if you've been thinking of trying sporting, this is the time. This will also give members a chance to view some parts of Game Unlimited's superb hunting grounds comprised of more than 1,900 acres of carefully managed woods, fields, streams and lakes, all ideal for spaniel training.

What to Bring

Food. Anything you'd like to supply as potluck. Meat to barbeque if you don't like game birds or venison. Beer or liquor for those wanting something stronger than soft drinks... and who are not shooting sporting clays after the picnic.

Swimming suit or wading shorts. If you have a young dog and plan to get really wet.

Dummies. Bring dummies for your beginning dogs. We'll supply dummies for the advanced course, but if you have dummies your dog is used to, bring them.

Gun & shells. If you plan to shooting sporting clays after the picnic. #8 or #7 ½ shot. High velocity not recommended! Bring at least two boxes and three or more is better because you can shoot more than once at a single target.

PLEASE RSVP BY E-MAIL TO RBEND@BENDELLINGSON.COM WITH THE NUMBER COMING SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH TO COOK

INDICATE IF YOU WILL BE SHOOTING SPORTING CLAYS WHEN YOU RSVP

MHSA SPONSORED EVENTS:

August 1 – Richard Bend’s House

MHSA Summer Picnic	Chair	Richard Bend
Membership Meeting		

August 15- Good Going Kennel (ADDED)

Club Training 8-12	Chair	Bethann Wiley
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August 23 – Major Avenue

MHSA Fun Trial	Chair	Linda Simon
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September 5 & 6 – Major Avenue

AKC Spaniel Hunt Test

October 16 & 17

AKC Cocker Spaniel Field Trial	Chairpersons	Kim & Bethann Wiley
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November

MHSA Duck Shoot
Holiday Party

The Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association invites you to join us for our two AKC licensed Spaniel Hunting Tests. Below is a map for the hunt tests taking place on September 5th and 6th at the Major Avenue Hunt Club in Glencoe, Minnesota. Entrants will be notified by mail or e-mail of your running order after the drawing takes place on August 26th.

The tests will start promptly at 8:30 a.m. in all three fields. The test headquarters will be in the clubhouse & there will be coffee and rolls available in the morning when you check in.

We invite you to stay and join us for a pheasant barbecue after the test on Saturday. We will be grilling the birds from the day's shoot. The hunt club will provide the rest of the dinner for a fee of \$5. After the barbecue we will have our annual raffle for great prizes! If you would like to contribute a prize to the raffle please give it to the test chair or secretary prior to the barbecue. Plan on joining us for a good time.

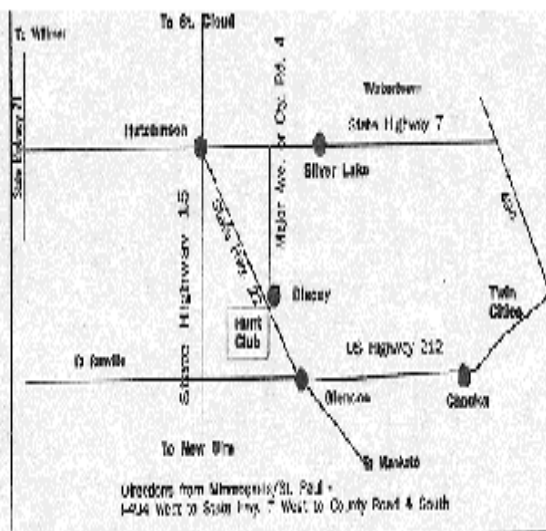
Please remember that during the tests:

- ✓ Everyone must wear an article of blaze orange, no smaller than a hat, while in the field. A vest, shirt, or jacket is preferred.
- ✓ Only flat collars are allowed on the test grounds.

Listed below are hotels and motels in the area. Please make your reservations early, and remember to check their pet policy.

- American Inn (800)-634-3444
- Super 8 (800)-800-8000
- King Motel (320)-587-4737
- Best Western Victorian Inn (320) 587-6030

Please call or e-mail me with any questions.
Heidi Reinhardt, Hunt Test Secretary (612) 708-3090 / hydexoi@gmail.com



EVENT # 2009446205
HUNTING TEST PREMIUM LIST
AKC Licensed Spaniel Hunting Test
Open to all Flushing Spaniels and Airedales

MINNESOTA HUNTING SPANIEL ASSOCIATION



Major Avenue Hunt Club, 11721 Major Ave, Glencoe, MN
SATURDAY, September 5th, 2009

Limited to fifty (50) entries. Entries will close when the limit is reached, if this occurs prior to the specified closing time. Phone, fax or email entries or cancellations will NOT be accepted. Payment must accompany all entries. Make checks payable to MHSA.

This hunting test is held under the rules and procedures of the
AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES TO: Heidi Reinhardt 406 East 5th Street New Richmond, WI 54017, Phone (612) 708-3090. Entries will close at 6:00PM (CDT) Wednesday August 26th, 2009 with the hunt test secretary 406 East 5th Street New Richmond, WI 54023. Drawing will take place at 7:00PM (CDT) at 406 East 5th Street New Richmond, WI 54017. Signature must be waived on carrier delivered entries.

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- Nadine Kohn
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Nadine Kohn

GUN CAPTAIN

Randy Manore

TEST SCHEDULES AND ENTRY FEES

Junior Hunting Test: 8:30 AM Sat., September 5th, 2009 \$50.00

Senior Hunting Test: :30 AM Sat., September 5th, 2009 \$50.00

Master Hunting Test: 8:30 AM Sat., September 8th, 2007 \$50.00

- Entry fees will not be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused by a judge or barred from the test by action of the hunt test committee.
- Entry fees will be refunded minus a \$5.00 handling charge per day for bitches in season or dogs injured after the closing date if a veterinarian certificate is presented to the hunt test secretary.
- No entry fee will be refunded if the test cannot be open or completed by reason of riots, civil disturbance, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the committee.

COURSES AND BIRDS

Pheasants and/or Chukars and/or Pigeons – Land – Junior
Pheasants and/or Chukars – Land – Senior and Master

Note: Decoys may be used at the water.

PRIZES

Standard AKC Rosettes to all dogs receiving Qualifying Scores

**OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB ENTRY FORM
FOR FIELD TRIAL/HUNTING TESTS**

Saturday September 5th, 2009

Event #2009446205

Note: This Entry Form Must Be Completed in Full

**Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association
Major Avenue Hunt Club Glencoe MN**

I SUBMIT \$ 50.00 for entry fees. Enter in Stake/Test:

NAME OF DOG (Print)		CALL NAME	
A.K.C. Reg. Number		Or A.K.C. Litter Number (If Dog Not Reg.)	
Or Foreign Reg. No.		And Country of Registry	
Breed	MALE	FEMALE	Date of Birth
Sire			
Dam			
Breeder			
Name of Actual Owner (Print)			
Owner's Address			
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone No.		Email	
Name of Handler (Print)			

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of this dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I agree to abide by all the rules of The American Kennel Club and the Standard Procedures governing this Field Trial and any decisions made in accord with them, and I further agree that the dog is entered in and will be at this trial at my own risk and that I will hold the trial giving club, its membership and agents free from liability for any claims arising out of the entry of the dog or its presence at the trial.

SIGNATURE of Owner or His Agent

Duly Authorized to Make this Entry _____

Address of Agent (If Any Signs Above Line for Owner)

Street _____ Phone No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

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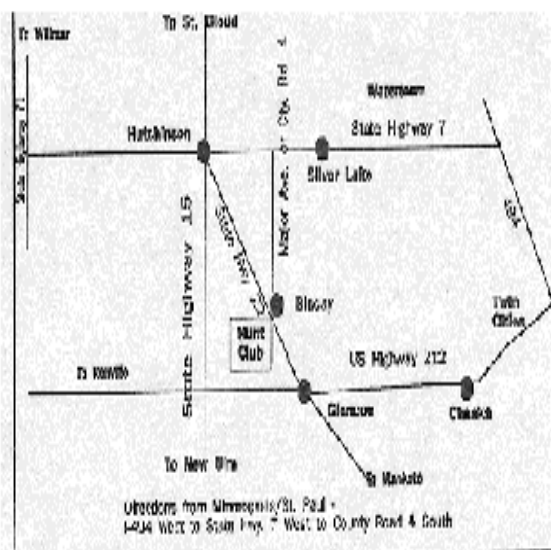
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 SUNDAY, September 6th, 2009

Limited to fifty (50) entries. Entries will close when the limit is reached, if this occurs prior to the specified closing time. Phone, fax or email entries or cancellations will NOT be accepted. Payment must accompany all entries.
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Sire			
Dam			
Breeder			
Name of Actual Owner (Print)			
Owner's Address			
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone No.		Email	
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SIGNATURE of Owner or His Agent

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Address of Agent (If Any Signs Above Line for Owner)

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MHS

JULY AGENDA

Houlihan's in Eagan

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL:** Brett Edstrom, Art Fowler, Rachel Samsel, Jim Lynch, Kim Wiley, Charlie Casey, Richard Bend
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** June, 2009- approved
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** APPROVAL OF AGENDA- approved

OLD BUSINESS:

Gunning requirements for anyone gunning at a club event- A motion to require a gunning seminar be attended prior to being permitted to gun at any club event. This would be effective after the next gunning seminar offered by the club, tentatively scheduled for next spring. Motion seconded and approved. A reminder will be included in the newsletter.

2011 Cocker Nationals progress- nothing new

Consideration of new field event with rotating trophy- nothing new

NEW BUSINESS

AKC update: the club's officer information needs to be updated. Rachel to follow up. This has been completed.

National Cocker Championship Judges Ballot nomination: A proposal was submitted by John and Chris Dartt and Kim and Bethann Wiley for selecting the judge for nomination. The Field trial committee (FTC) has recently changed the nomination procedure. The new procedure requires each club that holds a cocker field trial to submit one name for the ballot. The proposal would have the MHS members with qualified dogs meet and a list of possible nominees would be created and voted on by the members with qualified dogs. There was discussion by board members if this proposal excluded other members of the club who may be interested in participating in the discussion for the nominee. Since this nominee was to be selected on behalf of the MHS, it was decided that members who have participated in cocker field trials in the last few years are eligible to participate in the discussion for the nomination of judge selection for this year. A conference call will be set up for tomorrow for those individuals, Dick will arrange the call.

SPONSORED EVENTS:

March 7 – Major Avenue – Completed Gunning Seminar –Chair/Secretary: Richard Bend

May 1, 2 & 3 – Major Avenue - Completed AKC Cocker Spaniel Field Trial – Chairpersons: Bethann & Kim Wiley

May 9 & 10 – Major Avenue - CompletedAKC Spaniel Hunt Test – Chair: Bill Dunaski

Secretary: Ann Sunderman

Game Steward: Linda Simon

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June 6 – Good Going Kennels - Completed Club Training Chair Bethann Wiley
Noon Potluck
Working Dog Test Chair Brett Edstrom
American Water Spaniel RCT Test Chair Charles Starner

June 20 – Major Avenue - Completed MHSA Fun Trial Chair Linda Simon

July 15th – Good Going Kennels Club Training – 5:00 to dark Chair Bethann Wiley

July 19 – Major Avenue MHSA Fun Trial Chair Linda Simon

August 1 – Richard Bend’s House

MHSA Summer Picnic Chair Richard Bend

Membership Meeting

August 15- Good Going Kennel (ADDED)

Club Training 8-12 Chair Bethann Wiley

August 23 – Major Avenue MHSA Fun Trial Chair Linda Simon

September 5 & 6 – Major Avenue Chair Dean Koehler AKC Spaniel Hunt Test Secretary Heidi Reinhardt

Birds have been booked and things are going well with preparations.

October 16 & 17 & 18 – Good Going Kennels AKC Cocker Spaniel Field Trial Chairperson Kim Wiley Secretary Bethann Wiley

Gun Captain: John Dartt, open judges: Alex Smith and Roger Hauk; amateur: Alex Smith and Linda Simon

November MHSA Duck Shoot

Holiday Party

8. NEW MEMBERSHIPS: 1. Melvin Nordstrom of Andover, MN. He owns a Welsh Springer. His goals with the club are Hunting and Hunt Tests. 2. Jeffrey Dahlen, he has 2 ESS and is interested in training with the club to prepare for hunting.

9. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: none

10. SECRETARY’S REPORT: none

11. TREASURER’S REPORT: \$6529.48

COMMITTEE REPORTS: none

ADJOURNMENT : meeting adjourned at 9pm

MHSA Nominee to the 2010 National Cocker Championship Field Trial Chuck Nelson from Mazomanie, WI

The English Cocker Spaniel Club of America Field Trial Committee has created a new nomination process for putting names on the ballot for the National Cocker Championship. Each club that hosts a Cocker field trial in the current calendar year may nominate one name to the ballot. The MHSA board determined that those MHSA members who run in cocker field trials will select our nominee. The group has chosen to nominate Chuck Nelson to the ballot.

Chuck is an avid field trialer, field trial judge and hunter. He has had Springers since 1990 and recently acquired an English Cocker in hopes of pursuing Cocker field trials as well. In his career, Chuck has put 10 FC, AFC or CFC titles on his dogs. He placed a Springer in the 2000 Canadian National, received a CM in the 2001 Canadian National and a placement in the 2006 U.S. Amateur Springer National. He has judged 34 field trials to date, both Springer and Cockers as well as judging the 2007 U.S. Springer Amateur National Championship. Chuck hunts all of his field trial dogs and feels that that is an important key to their overall development as a trial dog.





2009 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association
Spaniel Fun Trial Stakes and Rules

Dates: August 23, 2009

The Fun Trials will start at 9 AM sharp, rain or shine!

All Fun Trials will be held at Major Avenue Hunt Club, Glencoe – MN

Entry Fee - \$15/per dog for each stake

Purpose: A fun, non-threatening way to learn and participate in Field Trial-style events. For all stakes except Hunting and Shooting, gunners will be provided by the MHSA Club. Ribbons will be awarded to all placing Handlers/Dogs.

Puppy Stake: Steady/Unsteady spaniel less than 15 months old at the time of the first Fun Trial. Open to any Handler. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel

Junior Stake: Handler age 16 or younger. Dog may be steady or unsteady. Handler and Dog are judged 50% each. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel. Age and titles of dog do not matter.

Derby Stake: Steady dog less than 2 years at the time of the first Fun Trial. Open to any Handler. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel.

Novice Stake: This stake is for the new dog and new handler. Dog does not need to be steady. Handler and Dog are judged 50% each. Dog or handler may not have any field trial placements. First place and High Point handler/dogs of previous years Novice Stake should retire from this category. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel.

Open Stake: Open to any Handler. Open to any all age steady dog. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel.

Hunting Dog Stake: Open to any unsteady dog. Open to any Handler. Handler does his/her own shooting. Handler and Dog are judged 50% each. Limited to 2 shells per bird. Break open action shotgun preferred but not required. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel

Shooting Dog Stake: Open to any steady spaniel. Handler does his/her own shooting. Handler and Dog are judged 50% each. Limited to 2 shells per bird. Break open action shotgun preferred but not required. Open to any breed of flushing spaniel

FUN TRIAL RULES

All participants must wear one piece of blaze orange clothing above the waist while out in the field, preferably a vest. Eye protection is strongly recommended.

- No dog in season allowed on grounds. All dogs must be on a leash, except when participating. Spaniels are not allowed to wear a collar of any type when participating.
- Unless otherwise indicated, gunners will be provided for each stake by the MHSA Club.
- Open to any breed of flushing spaniel.

A steady dog is one that stops at the flush of the bird, and/or sound of a shot, and waits for the command to retrieve, heel, or carry on.

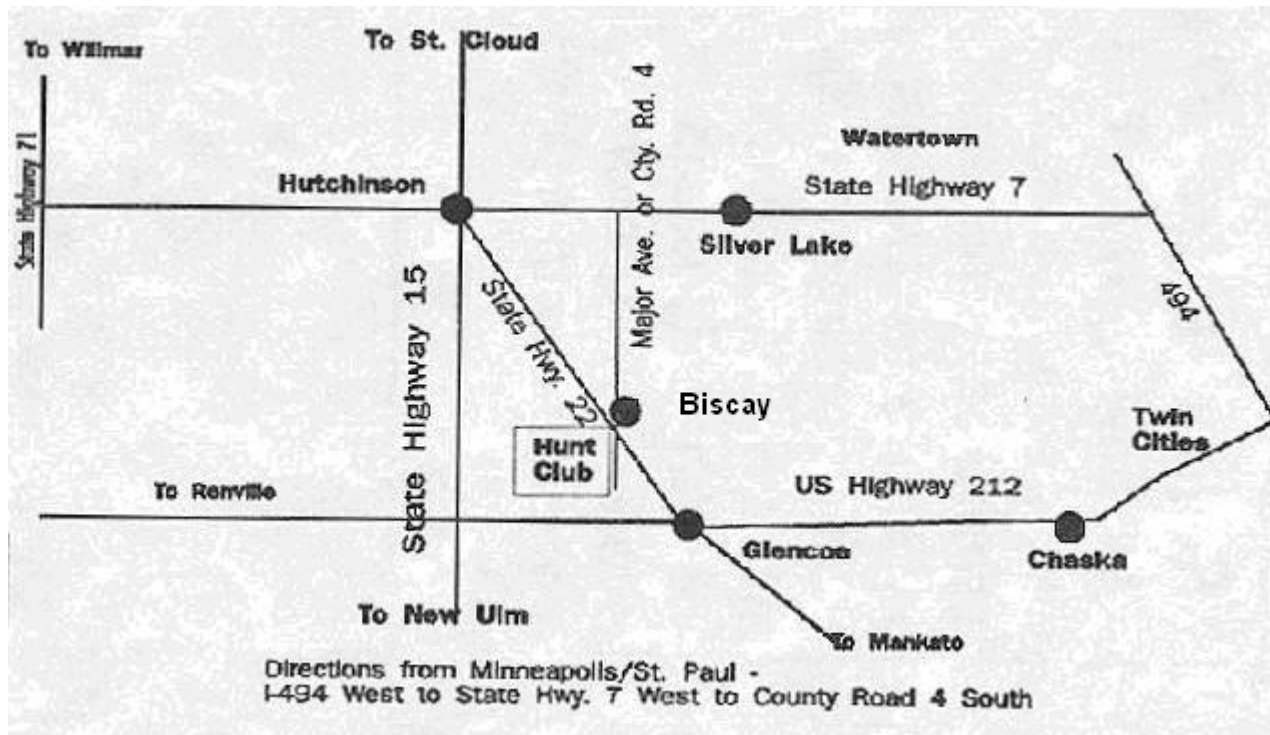
The Fun Trials will use Pigeons in all stakes.

- You may enter as many stakes as you are qualified for.
- The order of the stakes will be as listed, however some stakes may be run simultaneous.
- The Fun Trials will start at 9 AM sharp, rain or shine!
- All Fun Trials will be held at Major Avenue Hunt Club – Glencoe, MN – Map below.

If you wish to participate, or have questions, please contact:

Linda Simon at (320)-510-1904 or email whistlestopkennel@hotmail.com.

Pre-registration is not necessary but helpful so we will have enough birds on hand.



MHSA Merchandise Order Form

MHSA is pleased to offer the following club merchandise for sale. T-shirts, sweatshirts & hats are stocked by the Association & orders will be accepted throughout the year. Orders can be picked up at any MHSA event. If you would prefer to have your order mailed, **add \$10** to your order for shipping and handling.

Delivery will be at the event following receipt of the order. A check, made payable to **MHSA**, must accompany your order, which can be mailed to Shirley Harford - 7816 66th Ave N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55428. If you have any questions regarding merchandise, please contact Shirley at Lougeelake@comcast.net.

Description of merchandise and order number

#5930 Fruit of the Loom Adult Short Sleeve T-shirt

Colors -Blaze Orange, Jade Green, Ash Grey, Khaki, Burgundy
 Sizes - Small to XL Cost - \$15.00

#1630 Sweatshirt

Colors - Blaze Orange, Ash Grey, Forest Green, Khaki, Burgundy
 Sizes -Small to XL Cost - \$25.00

#0504 Polo w/pocket

Colors - Ash Grey, Forest Green, Steel Grey, Orange
 Sizes -Small to XL Cost - \$30.00

#16130 Hooded Pullover Sweatshirt

Colors - Ash Grey, Heather Grey, Royal Blue
 Sizes -Small to XL Cost - \$30.00

#2110 Polyester Fleece Lined Bomber Jacket

Colors - Pine/ Charcoal, Black/Black, Black/Heather Grey
 Sizes - Small to XL
 Cost - With crest logo on the front \$60.00
 - With both crest and back logo \$75.00

#6288 WXT Upland Blaze Orange Safety Cap

Sizes - One size fits all Cost - \$15.00

#3261 Blaze Orange Cap w/2 tone Pheasant on side

Size - One size fits all Cost - \$20.00

Two-sided MHSA Logo Mug (11oz.)

Colors - Ivory w/Burgundy Cost \$7.00 ea. or 2 for \$12.00

MHSA Patch

Cost -\$7.50

MHSA Lapel Pin

Cost - \$5.00

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Your Dogs Health and Wellness

Information Bulletin



Blue-green Algae

These questions and answers provide information to address health concerns about exposure to blue-green algal toxins in **surface waters** (lakes, rivers, streams and reservoirs).

What are blue-green algae?

Blue-green algae, technically known as **cyanobacteria**, are microscopic organisms that are naturally present in lakes and streams. They usually are present in low numbers. Blue-green algae can become very abundant in warm, shallow, undisturbed surface water that receives a lot of sunlight. When this occurs, they can form blooms that discolor the water or produce floating rafts or scums on the surface of the water.

What are the potential health effects from drinking or coming in contact with water containing blue-green algae?

Some blue-green algae produce toxins that could pose a health risk to people and animals when they are exposed to them in large enough quantities. Health effects could occur when surface scums or water containing high levels of blue-green algal toxins are swallowed, through contact with the skin or when airborne droplets containing toxins are inhaled while swimming, bathing or showering.

Consuming water containing high levels of blue-green algal toxins has been associated with effects on the liver and on the nervous system in laboratory animals, pets, livestock and people. Livestock and pet deaths have occurred when animals consumed very large amounts of accumulated algal scum from along shorelines.

Direct contact or breathing airborne droplets containing high levels of blue-green algal toxins during swimming or showering can cause irritation of the skin, eyes, nose and throat and inflammation in the respiratory tract.



Surface water affected by blue-green algae often is so strongly colored that it can develop a paint-like appearance.



Under some environmental conditions, blue-green algae can become so abundant that they form floating rafts or scums on the surface of the water.

Recreational contact, such as swimming, and household contact, such as bathing or showering, with water not visibly affected by a blue-green algae bloom is not expected to cause health effects. However, some individuals could be especially sensitive to even low levels of algal toxins and might experience mild symptoms such as skin, eye or throat irritation or allergic reactions.

There is less information available about the potential health effects of long-term exposure to low levels of blue-green algal toxins. Some limited evidence from human studies suggests that long-term consumption of untreated surface waters containing high levels of blue-green algal toxins could be associated with an increased risk of liver cancer. However, people in these studies also were exposed to other factors associated with liver cancer. As a result, it is unknown whether algal toxin exposure contributed to this risk.

Long-term, continuous exposure to algal toxins in the Northeast is unlikely, because blue-green algal blooms are likely to occur only during the hottest part of the summer. New York State public water supplies that use surface water sources also have operational controls to minimize the introduction of blue-green algae in drinking water.

How do I know if I am being exposed to blue-green algae?

People should suspect that blue-green algae could be present in water that is visibly discolored or that has surface scums. Colors can include shades of green, blue-green, yellow, brown or red. Water affected by blue-green algal blooms often is so strongly colored that it can develop a paint-like appearance.

Unpleasant tastes or odors are not reliable indicators of blue-green algal toxins or other toxic substances, because species producing blue-green algal toxins may or may not also produce chemicals that affect the taste or odor of drinking water. Similarly, the absence of unpleasant tastes and odors does not guarantee the absence of blue-green algal toxins.

Avoiding exposure to blue-green algae

Never drink untreated surface water, whether or not algae blooms are present. Untreated surface water may contain other bacteria, parasites or viruses, as well as algal toxins, that all could cause illness if consumed.

People not on public water supplies should not drink surface water, even if it is treated, during an algal bloom because in-home treatments such as boiling and disinfecting water with chlorine or UV and water filtration units do not protect people from blue-green algal toxins.

If washing dishes in untreated surface water is unavoidable, rinsing with bottled water may reduce possible residues. While we don't know if water containing low levels of blue-green algal toxins could leave residues on dishes, taking this precaution may help reduce possible exposures.

People, pets and livestock should avoid contact with water that is discolored or has scums on the surface. Colors can include shades of green, blue-green, yellow, brown or red. If contact does occur, wash with soap and water or rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove algae.

Stop using the water and seek medical attention if needed if symptoms such as skin, eye or throat irritation, allergic reactions or breathing difficulties occur while in contact with untreated surface waters. However, swimming, bathing or showering with water not visibly affected by a blue-green algae bloom is not expected to cause health effects.

Where to get more information

NYS Department of Health

Bureau of Toxic Substance Assessment

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