



HUNTING & RETRIEVER
CLUB

2014

July

NEWSLETTER

Message from the President

Welcome to summer!

For those of you who attended the team shoot, I thank you for a wonderful day!

For those who missed it, well... You missed it.

We had a lot of fun and prizes and I'm pretty sure Stan may ban Jim Wiota from the event next year for winning everything. I guess some are luckier than others.

We had a nice turnout of visitors which was lovely to see. I hope we open it up to friends and family next year!

July will be our last event for end of the year placements.

Which means everyone needs to attend and either maintain their position or show up and "throw a wrench" in it.

We have formally started the banquet planning any ideas or input is welcome!

Have a safe and fun Fourth of July. See you all in a couple of weeks.

Sincerely,

Julie Mahoney

Club Statistics



Last month was the team shoot and I am happy to report our numbers were up. We had 14 braces up from 8 last year. The jackpot was \$130.00 this year up from \$50 last year. Somehow Jim managed to get two of the three draws. We had some kid's games and nice prizes for them. We went through all the burgers and dogs and had some great desserts and side dishes. We were in a different field this year and the gallery had a better view, we even had cover to duck under during the rain shower towards the end of the day. It has been suggested that we work on a new format next year for the jackpot to allow more folks to get a shot at it.

2014 Training Event Rate Changes

Due to increased pricing of birds, insurance, fuel, etc., the board voted to raise the event day training prices as follows:

Pointers (Advanced/Braces)	\$30.00	First Dog
	\$25.00	each additional dog
Pointers (Intermediate)	\$25.00	per dog
Retrievers (Intermediate and Advanced)	\$25.00	per dog
Puppies (All breeds)	\$20.00	per dog

Our cost of birds increased this year from \$5.50 to \$6.75
This is before fuel costs to pick them up.

LEFT OVER TRAINING QUAIL AT EVENTS WILL BE FOR SALE
You must bring your own cage, box or carrier for transport.

Extra Birds can be purchased for \$8.00 each
Don't forget your training permit!



ODFW 2014 Permit for Hunting Dog Training

http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/dog_training/docs/Game_Bird_Training_Permit.pdf

2014 GVHRC AKC Hunt Test

August 9th & 10th Queener Ridge, Scio, Oregon.

Go to the clubs website for Premium

<http://gvhrc.com/pointer-hunt-test-premium-august-queener-ridge/>

We still need general volunteers.

July Training Event

Date

July 13th

8:00 AM Sign Up

7:30 AM Set Up

Location

Boyd Engelcke

No Physical Address

Cox Butte Road

Junction City, Oregon 97448

Julie @541-521-9397

Directions: *I-5 to Beltline West (Exit 195B) 5.7 miles

* Exit 6 to Airport/Junction City .2 miles

* Left on Hwy 99N to Junction City

* Left at Stop Light (Guaranty Chevrolet) 1st Ave. /High Pass Road

* 2 Miles to Washburn Lane (Turn Right)

* 1.5 Miles to Cox Butte Road (Left Turn onto Cox Butte go about ½ mi.)

Watch for GVHRC Dog Sign

What to Bring: Lunch, Chair, Boots (wet, muddy fields), Rain Gear, Gloves, Hunter Orange to wear in the field, Safety glasses, Gun (#8 shot), Hunting License, Stakeout Chain or Kennel, Water, Whistle, Pinch Collar, Leash, Check Cord, Dog Treats, Place Boards if you have them.

Training Dates 2014

Note the August Date Change

3/23, 4/13, 5/4, 6/15, 7/13, 8/3

Thanks to Bill and Lyn Neel for hosting the team shoot!

Meet Your Board Members

Jon Duncan



How did you hear about GVHRC?

Stan Zorn has been a client and friend of mine for 20 plus years, so there is no way I could have Not heard about the club!

How long have you been a member?

I joined 3 years ago when I got my German Shorthair.

Were you an experienced hunter or new to game bird hunting?

I have hunted birds all my life.. Got my start in Kansas in the 70's when living in a small town. I could walk out the front door, down main street and be hunting pheasants and quail in ten minutes. Pretty much an outdoor kid's dream!

Do you own a pointer or retriever?

German Shorthair Pointer

How has the club helped your training skills with your dog?

Just more chances to get the dog on birds, and see other dogs and their trainers work.

What have you gained by being a GVHRC member?

Many good friends!

The first time I talked with Jon was on the Gateway Canyon Trip last year. I remember petting Lark who was sitting next to me around the fire and commented to Jon "wow, he has the best coat". I had no clue at the time that he was a vet – it is no wonder his dog would have the best coat!



Meet Our Member

Betty Pellham



Hey there, my name is Betty Pellham.

My first knowledge of the GVHRC dog club began at the Eugene Sportsmen's Show. I had stopped by the booth and met Chris and Crystal Laing. I explained I had just purchased two German shorthair puppies and had shortly discovered I had no control over them, which needed to change and quickly. Chris and Crystal strongly encouraged me to join.

I will have just completed my third year of membership this coming super bowl. It has been a great experience for me, and it seems like just yesterday that the boys (Ben and Duke) and I were in puppy class.

It's been about 25 years or so since I first picked up a firearm and really started hunting. I started out big game hunting, then wanted to change it up and add to the difficulty and started turkey hunting with a shotgun. Of course, if you shoot a shotgun, you have to shoot trap, skeet, continental trap, some five stand and sporting clays. From there I went to black powder for a long time and to international competition.

The next thing had to be bow hunting. I wouldn't say I'm an experienced hunter, but I've done okay for a lady out in the woods today. I know I still have much more to learn and grow in the sport of bird hunting and especially dog training.

I chose German shorthair pointers for the breed I wanted to have for bird dogs. After I attended one of the first ODFW Becoming an Outdoor Woman (BOW) programs, I hunted for pheasants with a Springer spaniel in the morning, then a German shorthair later in the day. Unfortunately the Springer didn't find me any birds, but I soon discovered with pointers I could be prepared for the birds to fly – that was my game!

The GVHRC club members have helped me with countless training skills with (Ben and Duke) my boys. I participated in two of Stan Zorn's wonderful classes, and made good friends with Alice Burke, Linda Ackers and Steve Arms and my journey with my boys has been most enjoyable for us. We owe our survival through puppy class to our new dog club friends.

I have gained so much by being a GVHRC member. I have made great friendships and gained great training partners with some really fine folks. The boys and I are honored that we can give back by volunteering our time with the ODFW programs. I'm especially proud of the Pink Team made up of the ladies who had dogs and wanted to shoot better to stop apologizing to the dogs. This idea was started by our very own Linda Ackers, Alice Burke and myself. With the coaching help of one of my past shooting buddies, Jeanne Littleton, the team was formed two years ago. We started out with just the 4 of us, and are now 12 members strong. It's a fun group and I encourage other ladies to join us. How many doggie clubs are able to say they have their very own ladies shotgun team? Just another great benefit of being a GVHRC member.

Betty has is volunteering with other members at many events already. She has put Jr Hunt Titles on both her dogs and they are now working towards their senior titles.

Meet Our Member

Amanda Mishler

How did you hear about GVHRC?

Through my boyfriend, Luke Goldbrand. He has been a member on and off for the last 10 years. When we got our chocolate lab Sage, we started going to club events with her.

How long have you been a member?

I have been coming with Luke to club events for the last 5 years. Before we got Emma I watched from the sidelines and helped out when I could. After a couple years, I decided that I wanted to play too! I have now officially been a member with my own dog for the last 3 years.

Were you an experienced hunter or new to game bird hunting?

I have been hunting since I was able to walk. This is my first experience trying to train my own dog for bird hunting.

Do you own a pointer or retriever?

Retriever

What breed or breeds?

We own two labs (chocolate and black). I am trying to convince Luke that we need a yellow to complete our collection...he does not agree!

How has the club helped your training skills with your dog?

Training at club events gives my dog a new perspective. It gets her out of her normal training environment and away from what she knows. It is a great opportunity to really test her abilities and shows me what we still need to work on.

What have you gained by being a GVHRC member?

I have had a wonderful time with GVHRC. I have met some really great people who truly love their dogs. I have learned a few new training ideas that have really worked with my dog.

Amanda took a shot at judging with Ivan while Stan was out ill; although she gave it her all I don't think she liked the job! Amanda does AKC Hunt tests with her dog Emma and pitches in on the retriever side often to help with anything needed.





Training Tidbits by *Stan Zorn*

What a great time we all had at the Team Shoot. I hadn't been able to attend one for the last 3 years, but I don't want to miss another one. I've come up with some great amendments to the team shoot rules, but I may be the only one that appreciates them. For example: Those who are age 30 and under have to use bb guns. OK, I realize it may be a little more difficult but with a lot practice and head shots, it could be done. Another idea was to hobble all those who are 5'9" or taller. Those long legged individuals have a definite advantage getting to the birds faster. I have a lot more ideas, but I need to get the board members drunk in order to get them passed.

The training tidbits this month will focus on **Retrieving**.

While I'm a firm believer in force fetching a dog to retrieve, it's not always necessary. If you plan on running hunt tests, National Shoot to Retrieve, or field trials, then by all means you should take the time to make sure your dog will retrieve on command whether he wants to or not. As a hunt test judge, I always feel bad when a dog has performed beautifully, but fails to retrieve to hand. He may have been tired after a long retrieve on a hot day and just drops it at your feet. For a hunter, that would be ok as long as the bird was dead. For a hunt test, it can mean a failure for a Senior or Master dog.

The advantages of doing a Force Fetch with your dog are the following:

1. If done correctly, it prevents hard mouthing
2. Even if the dog drops it at your feet, a fetch command will get a quick response
3. Your dog will be more responsive to other commands
4. If he fails to pick up a dummy or bird, you have a method for correction.
5. Done correctly your dog will be just as excited about retrieving as a natural retriever.

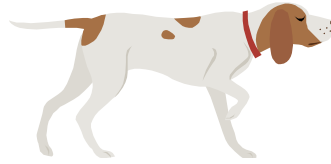
The drawbacks of force fetching a dog to retrieve are listed below:

1. If not done correctly, your dog will be worse than when he started the program.
2. If started and not finished, he will be worse.
3. It's the most difficult command to teach.
4. Timing has to be near perfect.
5. If you don't do it yourself, the cost to have it done can be more than \$1500.00
6. It's difficult to learn by reading a book or watching a DVD.

Many dogs are natural retrievers and don't require doing a force program. If taught to hold, they can be very reliable retrievers. If you're just hunting with your dog, it isn't necessary to go through the Force Fetch program, but it does make for a more reliable dog.

If you have any questions about the process give me a call at 729-3663

Pointer Page



The Place Board

The basics of yard work for most of us are heeling, whoa and come. Three of the most important building blocks for a pointing dog. All taught around the house no big expenses -front yard or back yard or walk to the mailbox.

In addition some of us use the Place board, again a tool that's very important and something I always train with. My Goal with my dogs is Steady to Wing, Shot and Fall. I think the place board is one of those very important building blocks to helping build a better dog to get there.

When your dogs are introduced to the place board I like to start that day with heel and whoa while on the leash and then add the Place Command and walk the dog up to the board, after all his feet are on the board I give my dog a high value treat. Always try to keep it fun and always reward with a treat. After just a few lessons your dog will start responding to the command place. I will add a second place board, move the dog back and forth between the boards and then add the whistle to the lesson. This will help in teaching you dog to quarter and also directing him to game when he's out in the field.

My objective with this article is to focus on Steady by incorporating the Place board.

Your dog must be thoroughly trained on the place command and respond up to a reasonable distance when told to place. You can add distractions to the dog while he's on the board, throw something or have another dog tease him, but make sure he knows he can't get off the board. Next get a pigeon from your coup and with the dog on place release the pigeon by throwing it on the ground so the pigeon lands and has to take off again... It is impossible for my dogs to stay on the board when we start this lesson so be ready to correct your dog get him back on the place board and start again, repetition...repetition...repetition it takes a while. You can use a buddy stick or a check cord or better a helper to help control you dog until your dog starts to figure out that he's there to watch the pigeon fly away and not run after .

Sounds easy (NOT) but that's the beginningPlace board and Pigeons lots of reps.

Next month Whoa and bird launchers. See you all at the next event,

John Connell

Group Hunt and Camping Trip



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**Gateway Canyon Preserve
9255 NE Neff Road
Madras, Oregon**

www.gatewaycanyonpreserve.com

**November 9th, 10th and 11th
(Saturday, Sunday, Monday)**

\$150.00 per Membership for the Weekend

10 Chukar included in Hunt Price

Membership Example:

Bill, Quin and I are considered 1 Club Membership and entitled to 10 birds.

We would purchase additional birds at the group rate to have more available for our family to hunt.

Additional birds may be purchased.

*Chukar \$15.00 ea. *Rooster Pheasant \$26.00 ea. (5 bird min. purchase)

All members WILL be allowed to stay together at the Preserve this year.

NEW: There will be a \$15.00 per night RV parking fee this year.

No Hook Ups

Outdoor potluck Saturday night 6:00 PM followed by a Bon Fire
Outdoor Pancake breakfast Sunday morning 8:00 AM

Gateway does have a lodge for 6 people at \$50.00 per person per night 3 person minimum.

Best Western and Sonny's Motel are options located in Madras .

Non - Refundable Payment is due by October 25th

Contact Susan for more information or if you have questions.

BBQSFARM@live.com or 541-747-0935

Last year this event was filled to capacity and many of us plan on going again, it was a great time. We have sign ups already! Attendance is limited. Reserve your spot soon!

If I do not forget we will have reservation forms available at our last 2 events or email me if you need one right away.

Team Shoot Results



1st – Jim Wiota and Molly – Randy Oswald and Rena (99)
1st – Mindy Shank and Willow – Jerry Madsen and Cody (99)



2nd- Chris Rattenborg and Drake – Bill Neel and Gus (96)



3rd – Stan Zorn and Clever and Jim Wiota and Cora (94)



The Dummy Toss
Ivan Mombert



All of the kids were winners!



Jackpot Winners
Jim Wiota
Jim Wiota
John McIrvin

Electronic Collar Usage

As a training club electronic collars will be allowed. If you choose to use an electronic collar 5 points will be deducted from your total score at the end of the day. Improper or abusive use will be addressed on a case by case basis as determined by the board. If you are new to electronic collars instruction will be provided on proper use.

BRAGS AND WINS!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN OTHER EVENTS

Julie and Charlie (Brittany) took Best of Breed at the Redmond Show on Saturday the end of June.

Ivan Mombert and Lucy passed another AKC Jr Test at Glide.

Luke Goldbrand and Sage passed their AKC Senior Test at Glide.

Amanda and Luke also have gotten formally engaged this past month!



THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS HAVE PUPPIES AVAILABLE

Mike has a couple of GSP puppies still available. The sire of that litter is John Connells dog Jake who is from Udibar Kennel. Puppies will be \$750
Contact numbers are 541-998-1839 at home or cell is 541-968-2030.

ITEMS FOR SALE BY MEMBERS

Whelping box-wood. The size is 72 1/2" long and 36 1/2" wide with a rail, it is made of wood with insulation on sides and bottom. I have used it for many years and there have not been any sick dogs or puppies in it. It has been disinfected after each litter.

Also available is a custom made moveable whelping room designed to fit in a corner of a garage which was made to order with 2 walls with sliders on the bottom (it can slide against the wall when not in use), outside size 72 1/2" by 36 1/2", made of 2 X 4"s insulated and covered by a vinyl washable outside. This attaches with bolts to the walls. To move you just pull the pins and fold against the wall. There is a window in the short side and a door with a doggy door in the long side. I have found it works very well for litters. Price \$650.00 Contact me: grifhh@yahoo.com

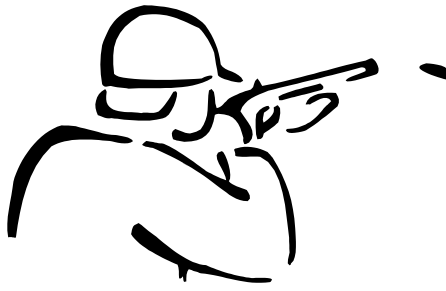
Team Shoot Photos

Our next generation of members!



Board Meeting
Thursday July 17th
6:30

Tree Product Hardwoods
632 Shelley Street
Springfield, Oregon 97477



NOTICE FOR THE LADY SHOOTERS

Stop apologizing to the dog because you can't hit the bird.

The PINK TEAM is inviting the ladies who would like to shoot with other female shooters to join us. We hold a monthly Sunday morning practice/training session on a private shooting range that culminates in a group lunch outing. Ladies learn about gun safety and how to improve shotgunning techniques.

Join us and learn in a fun and supportive environment. Our instructor is a hunter education instructor, an NRA Certified Range Officer, and an accomplished shooter herself. If you have an interest, send an email to, bjpellham@aol.com or call Betty Pelham at 541-929-8493 or 541-609-8430. Be sure to put Ladies Day in the Subject Line. See you on the range.

Gun Safety Club Policy

Any member, who is found to be handling a gun in an unsafe manner, or shooting into a safety zone, will be immediately disqualified from competition and will lose their gunning privileges for any other club events.

No live gun ammunition is permitted after club events.

Once revoked, gunning privileges may be reinstated

- 1) After the member provides the Board with proof of completion of an approved Hunter Safety Course
- 2) At the Board's discretion.

ANYONE WHO WANTS TO GUN OR BE A GUNNER FOR SOMEONE ELSE MUST HAVE A VALID HUNTING LICENSE.

NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE

If you have anything for the Newsletter OR Website call Susan @ 541-747-0935 or email: BBQSFarm@live.com

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Advertisement rates are per year as follows:

Business Card- \$50.00 Half-Page-\$140.00

GVHRC Members- FREE



Any club member can post photos to the clubs website using our flicker account.

To share your photos on the gvhrc.com website, you need to upload them to the club's Flickr.com account.

Website: <http://www.flickr.com/>

Username: gvhrc.website@yahoo.com Password: [Pointer123!](#)

Once the club member is logged-in to Flickr, you click "Upload Photos & Video" and follow the three easy steps (chose photos, click upload, add titles) that the site presents them with.

GVHRC.com-RESOURCES

We have recently added a great list of resources on our website. If you would like to obtain some of the resources for a month contact Stan Zorn.

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TRAINING EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

(Available at each event from the Equipment Trailer)

6' Slip Lead & Snap	\$10.00
Prong Collars	\$20.00
Bumpers Sm	\$5.00
30' Yellow Check Cord	\$15.00
Whistle Lanyard- dble	\$ 8.00
Other Whistles Styles	\$ 3-9.00
Denim Button-up	\$20.00
Hats	\$15.00
Safety Glasses	\$ 2.50
Camo T-Shirts	\$15.00



8' Training Leash	\$ 13.00
Large Wide Flat Collars	\$ 2.00
Bumpers Large	\$ 7.00
Orange Check Cord	\$ 12.00
Roy Gonia Whistle	\$ 4.00
Red Clickers	\$ 2.00
T-Shirts (XL, 2XL)	\$10.00
Mugs	\$ 8.00
Orange T-Shirts	\$10.00