



North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association

Southern California Chapter

So Cal Chapter News

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Our May training day with it's "Sport Dog Clinic" theme was a big success. Many members schooled their dogs at the rattle snake awareness clinic and thanks to SoCal member and Veterinarian David Hinebaugh many dogs received vaccinations. Doctor Hinebaugh answered questions members had about sport dog and hunting related problems our dogs face with their time in the field. His experience as a fellow hunter is a big asset towards helping members with these types of injuries and health issues.

The clinic all went smoothly with an orderly method that allowed many members and their dogs to participate. This was all made possible thanks to those volunteers that helped coordinate and make this such a success.



Vladimir Litvin's *Berly* is looked over by
Doctor Hinebaugh

TRAINING DAY PHOTOS



Veterinarian David Hinebaugh addressing SoCal members



Bob Worrell, Doctor David and Steven Loeffler With *Stella*



Jim McDonald with *Ryder*



Jorge Recano his Son-in-law Doug and Claude Trincale with *Fletcher* and *Hannah*



Big and Little Richard Cook with *Shooter*



Linda Mitchell and Steven Woodard helping out with lunch



Richard Bergeron & *Pepper*



Steven Loeffler, Pat Beaver & *Walter*



A busy sign up table



Italian Artist Guido Dei
lettering the "Jack Johnson"



Admiral *Falco* with Irene Fradella
in the "Jack Johnson"

The “Jack Johnson”

He came by truck from Chicago, Illinois sometime in 1969 and found himself on display at the local Montgomery Ward store where his soon to be owner fell in love with him. He was just what the shopper wanted. He was light by weight and just the right size. The shopper had big plans for this out of townner. That shiny bright new metal that usually cinches the deal had to go though, this shopper had other plans. After coming to his new home he couldn't believe what his new owner did to him. The paint felt thick and looked dull and in some spots it was even a different color. The new owner kept saying perfect but perfect for what? He called me a duck boat and all this time I thought I was a fishing boat.

From what we know of his new owner and after doing the math, found him to be 55 in 1969 and was an avid duck hunter. He never named his Montgomery Wards craft, he just used the “CF” numbers the state gave him. It was soon the time of year he was preparing for, “Duck Season” and plans were made for trips to Tule Lake and the Salton Sea. The out of townner soon felt right at home with his new task. With his new look he could hide in the cattails behind the decoys. He was fitted with fasteners to accept poles stuck in the mud to keep him still in the wind. He was perfect!

After years of use his owner put him under a tree in his back yard. The owner spent more of his hunts in the blinds he helped build as a member of the duck club on the old Pantages property near the Salton Sea. The years spent under the tree were good to the out of townner as he was built well and his owner wanted to see him enjoy the life he was built for. As our senior member of SoCal NAVHDA Jack Johnson donated his boat to the chapter.



Jack Johnson & *Bell*

It is said to be bad luck to change the name of a boat, but since “CF” numbers don't count, our chapter boat was named the “Jack Johnson” after its first owner. For me I have always called my boats she or her, a feminine gender. I guess it's a guy thing, but the “Jack Johnson” has got my respect and I'm very proud of him.



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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

May 30, 2012

James "Jack" Johnson

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Dear Jack,

We want to thank you for your donation of a very nice boat to your NAVHDA Chapter.

We'd like to assure you that the boat will be used for the benefits of all the dogs and members of your Chapter.

The boat will be very useful to help us in our project to add cattails to the "NAVHDA Pond".

We have a dream to fulfill: to be able to run a NAVHDA Utility test using our pond for the "Duck Search" and your boat will be a key element to make this dream to come true.

Sincerely,

Guido Dei
So.Cal. NAVHDA Treasurer & Secretary

HUNTER'S CORNER

At issue:

The use of dogs during the California "Deer" season

Hello Rodge.....This is Doug, Jorge Recano's son-in-law. A couple weeks back during the snake avoidance training, we touched bases on the legality of using dogs to blood track deer. I did some research, and asked DFG a few questions, and this is what I found....Below the California state regulations and the response I got back from DFG.

This is what the California regulations state:

265. Use of Dogs for Pursuit/Take of Mammals or for Dog Training.

(a) Prohibitions on the Use of dogs. The use of dogs for the pursuit/take of mammals or for dog training is prohibited as follows:

(1) The use of dogs is prohibited during the archery seasons for deer or bear.

(D) Southern California Dog Control Zone: Those portions of Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties within the Los Padres and Angeles National Forests; and those portions of San Bernardino County within the San Bernardino and Angeles National Forests.

(b) Authorized Use of Dogs. The use of dogs for the pursuit/take of mammals or for dog training is authorized as follows:

(1) Dog Control Zones. The use of dogs for the pursuit/take of mammals or for dog training is permitted in the dog control zones described in subsections 265(a)(4)(A), (B), (C) and (D) from the opening day of the general deer season through the first Friday in April.

Response from the DFG:

Question #1 - Yes, it's legal during the general deer season but not the archery season.

Only one dog per licensed hunter (current hunting license and valid deer tag for that particular zone for each hunter using a dog) may be used. If you're using an AO tag during the general season, one dog/licensed hunter is allowed. It's not the type of equipment that is being regulated here. It's the dates that are important.

Q #2 - No. As far as section 86 of the F&G Code, "pursuit" and "retrieve" are the same thing.

Q #3 - No. There are no exceptions to the archery "no dog" rule, including "reasonable effort to retrieve game". "Reasonable effort" means a legal effort to reasonably retrieve game.

Don't be too hard on yourself. I've encounter several dozen AO hunters (during the archery season) violating this section as well as a good share of general season hunters (too many dogs, not enough licensed hunters) Usually, the first violation was on me but I did take down each hunter's name (noted on my Daily Activity Report or DAR) with the understanding that they had been warned. A second violation would have result in a citation. FYI - I never had to write a ticket for this violation.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

A PITIFUL DEED



NAVHD pond
May 20, 2012



NAVHDA pond
May 23, 2012

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Board of Directors Meeting Prado Dog Training Park April 15th, 2012

I. Call to Order – The April 15th, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 11:45 AM. The Officers in attendance were:

Robert Worrell, President

Chris Gentner, Vice President

Rodge Fradella, Director of Publications

Jon Auer, Training Day Coordinator

Jon Vesely, Director of Promotions

Guido Dei, Secretary & Treasurer

II. Meeting Agenda – It was moved by Guido Dei.

REVIEW MINUTES OF THE 08/21/11 MEETING

AUGUST 19TH ELECTION DAY

SPRING TEST

FALL TEST

RE-ORGANIZE THE TRAILER

CATTAIL SITUATION AT THE NAVHDA POND

REMIND OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES FOR CHECKING ACCOUNT

III. REVIEW MINUTES OF THE 8/21/11 MEETING:

All the items of the last meeting where successfully completed.

IV. AUGUST 15TH ELECTION DAY

Ask for new candidates to the Officers position by June 10th (Training day)

Nominees to the positions to be set by July 15th (Training Day)

Ballots to be mail out must be returned by August 10th.

Vote can be by mail or by raised hands at August 19th (Training Day)

V. SPRING TEST

Our upcoming Spring Test seems to be well organized and completed with volunteers ready for each section of the test.

VI. FALL TEST

Officers have agreed to run a Fall Test toward the end of September. Test Secretary and days to be announced.

TO RE-ORGANIZE THE CHAPTER TRAILER

Jon Auer has proposed to buy steel shelving material and to install welded shelves. Rodge Fradella, Jon Vesely, Guido Dei has offered to help. Officers voted yes on this proposal versus buying a bigger trailer.

VIII. CATTAIL SITUATION AT THE NAVHDA POND

Guido has proposed another work day to plant several islands of cattails in the open water of the pond to make the pond suitable for the Utility Duck Search. He thinks that by the use of milk crates anchored to the bottom of the pond we should be able to have cattails growing.

Bob Worrell said that Ruben (The Owner of Prado) has access to a floatable backhoe that would allow the movement of the bottom ground to create shallow water islands.

REMIND OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES FOR THE CHAPTER CHECKING ACCOUNT.

Guido reminded the Board that the two authorized signatures for the checking account are Claude Trincala's and Guido's

The meeting was adjourned at 01:15 PM.

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Treasurer	Guido Dei

Training Days Guidelines & Procedures

- (1) Please keep your dog under control at all times, particularly when he/she is not working on a drill.
- (2) Everyone in the field must wear blaze orange hat, t-shirt or vest and have completed a hunter safety class or have a hunting license.
- (3) Children are to be supervised and remain in the designated parking area at all times.

