

MHSA News

Published by the Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Association

The Only American Kennel Club Licensed All Spaniel Hunting Dog Club

January 2008

Volume 18 Number 1



Officers & Board of Directors

Officers

President - Michael Bury

7816 66th Ave N
Brooklyn Park, MN 55428
763-537-1184

Vice President - Jon Pidde

14995 Williamsburg Ct.
Eden Prairie, MN 55347
952-937-2931

Treasurer- Lynn Lynch

5612 44th Ave S.
Minneapolis, MN 55417
612-727-2016

Secretary - Heidi Reinhardt

406 East 5th St
New Richmond, WI 54017
612-708-3090

Directors:

Dave Hofstadter
4248 101st Lane NE
Circle Pines, MN 55014
763-785-7013

Nadine Kohn
813 Elliot Ave N
Glencoe, MN 55336
320-864-5868

Tony Roettger
7104 360th St.
North Branch, MN 55056
651-674-0431

Linda Simon
722 West Elm St.
Norwood, MN 55368
952-467-4476

Leanne Schmitz
9674 Hale Ave S
Cottage Grove, MN 55016
651-768-0627



From the President ...

Welcome MHSA Members,

With a new year at hand, it's a nice time to reflect on 2007 and look forward to 2008. I believe MHSA has had good year in 2007 with lots of fun events and activities. As this is my last "Letter from the President", I would like to offer my personal "Thanks" to the 2007 MHSA Board who worked very hard to provide us with a year full of great activities! And to all the MHSA members who generously gave of their time and talents to make all of our events not only possible, but successful. We already have many events planned for 2008, please check the calendar of events on the last page of the Newsletter for a current list of dates, times, and events.

Our annual MHSA banquet and club meeting will be held at Northland Inn in Brooklyn Park on Saturday, January 12th beginning at 5 pm with dinner at 6:30. Please make sure you have reservations in and your club membership renewed as this is required to vote at the meeting! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there as we vote in and welcome our 2008 Board. Please bring any items you would like to donate for the raffle too!

Also in January is the Pheasants forever 25th anniversary National Pheasant Fest. This event will be held January 18th through the 20th at the River Center in St. Paul, MN. MHSA has a booth at this event so tell your friends to come visit with us! Personally, I consider this a must see event!

It has been an honor to serve as your 2007 MHSA club president. It is you, the MHSA members that make this such a great club to belong to. I am looking forward to another fun filled year of events and opportunities in 2008. Make 2008 the year YOU volunteer to help at club events! I can tell you from experience that it will make your MHSA membership even more rewarding. I learn new skills from fellow members every time I volunteer and we really do have a lot of fun! I look forward to seeing you all at the banquet! May God bless each of you in 2008!

Best regards,

Michael Bury

Page 2: National Pheasant Fest

Page 3&4: MHSA Meeting Minutes

**Page 5: MHSA Merchandise
Order Form**

Page 6: Recipe Corner

**Page 7: Indoor Duck Shoot /
New Editor**

Page 8: Calendar of Events



Pheasants Forever's **National Pheasant Fest** and 25th Anniversary Convention

January 18, 19 & 20, 2008 - RiverCentre, St. Paul, MN

The MHSB Board will have a booth set up in "Bird Dog Alley" at the 2008 National Pheasant Fest!! This will be an extraordinary opportunity for the MHSB to present itself to the public and fellow dog clubs. Over 25,000 people are expected to attend this event and we see it as a huge opportunity for the club. The 2008 National Pheasant Fest 2008 promises to be the largest and most complete event in the organization's history with over 800 exhibitors – 250 of those being dog-related.

Look for the MHSB Booth (# 907) on the main drag in Bird Dog Alley!!

For additional information on the National Pheasant Fest from Pheasants Forever, please visit:
www.nationalpheasantfest.com



MHSA Board Meeting Minutes

Applebee's in Roseville – 6:30pm
November 5th 2007

Present: Mike Bury, Jon Pidde, Nadine Kohn, Linda Simon Tony Roettger, Leanne Schmitz and Heidi Reinhardt

Absent: Dave Hofstadter and Lynn Lynch
Called to order at 6:40

- I. President's report – Nothing new at this time.
- II. Secretary's report – Nothing new at this time.
- III. Treasure's report- Not present
- IV. Committee reports-
 - B. Pheasant Fest- Is shaping up. Chairs maybe needed to volunteers to rest. Leanne would like a carpet remnant or rug, and a table cloth.
- V. Unfinished Business-
 - A. Banquet-
Chris Dartt will chair the banquet. It will be held at the Northland Inn on January 12th per Nadine. The Menu has been approved.
Nadine will collect the awards forms. More medallions for plaques may need to be purchased.
 - B. 2008 Board nominee candidates-

President- Dick Bend	ACCEPTED
Vice President- Tony Roettger	ACCEPTED
Secretary- Leanne Schmitz	ACCEPTED
Treasurer- Lynn Lynch	ACCEPTED
Directors- Linda Simon	ACCEPTED
Nadine Kohn	ACCEPTED
Doug Scurr	ACCEPTED
Charlie Casey	ACCEPTED
Ann Sunderman	Pending
 - C. Brochures- Leanne needs photos! A notification will be added to the Newsletter.
 - D. HT test seminar to be rescheduled for February or March
 - E. Spring Hunt Test- Volunteers needed.

VII New Business-

A. A proposal has been submitted to all national field trail clubs to lobby the AKC to allow the Hunt Test Master Water test qualification as criteria for a Field Champion Title. Unanimous approval. MHSA will support this proposal, under certain circumstances. All paper work and AKC notification will have to be completed by the dog's owner/handler. A leg towards a title would suffice, rather than a title.

B. 2008 Calendar:

- January- 1/12/2008 Annual Banquet
- February- Judging Seminar date pending
- March- MHSA Cocker Trial
Judging seminar if February date is taken
- April- 4/26/2008 possible training day
- May- 5/10 – 5/11 Spring Hunt Test
5/17/2008 Training day at Roettger Ridge
- June- 6/21/2008 Working Dog Test and Fun Trial
- July- Fun trail possibly on the 19th
- August- Training day and membership meeting
Fun trial possibly on the 16th
- September- 9/6 – 9/7/2008 Fall Hunt Test
9/13 – 9/14 MHSA Cocker Trial
- October- Nothing planned
- November- MHSA Holiday Party and membership meeting
- December- Nothing planned

Motion to adjourn: by Nadine, second by Tony.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

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

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

Note: for all clothing items: 2XL sizes are available - add \$1.50 / 3XL sizes are available - add \$3.00)

Item #:	Description	Sizes	Color	Qty.	Price each	Total Price
					\$	\$
					\$	\$
					\$	\$
					\$	\$
					\$	\$
SHADED AREA FOR BOMBER JACKET ONLY:						
#2110	Bomber Jacket				Crest Logo	\$
					Both Logos	\$
					Size Up Chrg	\$
					Shipping (if applicable):	\$
					Order Total:	\$

Shipping/Contact Information:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

GROUSE IN SOUR CREAM

1 grouse, cut into serving pieces
Flour
Salt
Pepper
1 cup sour cream
3 tbsp. dry onion soup mix
1/2 cup milk

Coat bird with flour; salt and pepper to taste. Brown grouse in hot fat. Combine cream, soup mix, and milk; pour over bird. Cover and bake at 350 degrees F. for 1 hour or until tender.

STUFFED VENISON STEAK

1 lb. round venison steak
1 tsp. salt
1 cup bread crumbs
1/2 tsp. sage
1 egg
1 cup milk or broth
1/2 cup finely chopped celery
1 small onion
1/4 tsp. black pepper
1/2 cup flour
1/2 cup water
2 tbsp. fat

Mix bread crumbs, milk, egg, and seasonings to make stuffing. Salt the meat and cut into 2" x 4" pieces. Spread each piece of meat with dressing and roll, fastening the rolls with toothpicks. Roll in flour and brown in fat. Place in pan, add water, cover, and cook for 2 hrs. at 375 degrees.

The Duck Shoot!!!

On November 25th we held our annual Duck Shoot and Holiday Party. There were games and competitions for our four legged hunting companions. We had at least 15 dogs entered in every event.

All of the members who attended had a great time. The food at these events is always great and getting caught up on everyone's hunting season was fun. There were some entertaining stories as well as the usual trading of info about "where the birds are hiding" locations.

One of the favorite games was the wiener retrieve. For the third straight year a puppy was the winner of this highly competitive game that showed off your dogs "soft mouth". I believe the top dog in this event was also the smallest dog ever entered. When you are at the Banquet you can listen to Marge brag. She really knows how to get her young dogs to retrieve!

I hope that next year there will be a record turnout at the Duck Shoot. These get-togethers are a great way to meet your fellow members. Everyone is always willing to share training tips and ideas on places to go for some good bird hunting.

Jon Pidde

Hi all,

I would like to reintroduce myself for those who dont know me. My name is Shirley Harford and I will be taking over the Newsletter for Leanne.

Leanne has done a wonderful job getting our Newsletter out for quite some time now, but she has the opportunity to take on some new projects at work that will take a lot of her time. Thanks Leanne for all the time you have spent over the years putting out an awesome newsletter.

I will be doing the Newsletter until we can find a new Volunteer to take it over.

So that being said if anybody has anything they want put in the Newsletter they need to send it to me by the 20th of the month for the next months Newsletter. My e-mail address is:

Lougeelake@comcast.net

Upcoming MHSA Events

2008

Jan. 12 – MHSA Awards Banquet

Jan. 18-21 – 2008 National Pheasant Fest

Mar. 1 – AKC Spaniel Hunt Test Seminar for Judges & Handlers

April 26 – MHSA Club Training Day (date tentative)

May 4-6 – MHSA Cocker Trial

May 10 & 11 – MHSA Spring Hunt Test

May 17 – MHSA Club Training Day (date tentative)

June 21 – 1st MHSA Fun Trial & Working Dog Test

July 19 – 2nd MHSA Fun Trial (date tentative)

Aug. – MHSA Club Picnic (date to be determined)

Aug. 16 – 3rd MHSA Fun Trial (date tentative)

Sept. 6 & 7 – MHSA Fall Hunt Test

Sept. 12-14 – MHSA Cocker Trial (tentative)

Nov. – Indoor Duck Shoot (date to be determined)



NutriSource
Super Premium Pet Foods

PO Box 190, Perham, MN 56573
(218) 346-7500

**English Springer Spaniel Information
and Field Trial Page**

ESSFT.COM

