

North American Versatile Hunting Dog Southern California Chapter
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So Cal Chapter News

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Southern California NAVHDA Chapter Recognizes Member

James R. Johnson D.D.S Retired

Jack with Bell after a training session at his EGA hunt club

By Rodge Fradella, So. Cal. NAVHDA member

Jack and I have been meeting almost every morning for the last twelve years at our local Pooch Park in the college town of Claremont where we both live. Jack always greets me the same, with a chuckle and good morning Rodge. I think he is as happy to see me as I am to see him. If I manage to arrive at the park before Jack I watch for his white Jeep Cherokee and meet him at the gate with his favorite shovel that he uses as training stick, dog defender, and duty pick up tool. Jack would bring his GSP named Max to the park, a good-looking dog that I fell in love with. He told me about how he trained Max and a club called NAVHDA. He talked about how the club started and a guy with a funny name he called Bodo. He gave me a green book and said it would help me train a pointing dog when I get one. Jack would tell me stories about his sheep hunting and his quest for a Grand Slam. We talked about his trips to Alaska, Wyoming and trips out of the country to hunt big game. We talked about reloading, Jack O'Connor and the Winchester Model 70 and the virtues of the 270. Jack has the mounted trophies hanging in his den to go with those great memories and those stories he shares. That was all hook line and sinker stuff to me and I was hooked, and I couldn't wait to meet up with him every morning.

Jack invited me as his guest to his hunt club in Hesperia called The Etiwanda Game Association. He told me about how they got the land and moved from Etiwanda as houses and people moved East and the Southern California Inland Empire evolved. At the Club we worked Max on game birds and I watched as his dog got the sent and gave us his strong point towards the bird. Max stayed still and allowed Jack and I to walk to the area of his point and find the hidden bird. After the flush, shot and retrieve Jack sent Max off to find another bird, what an experience.

Last year the Pomona Valley Chapter of the Lions Club honored Jack for his sixty years of service as a Lions Club member. As a guest to the event I was very proud of my friend's service to the community and his years of commitment. It was great to see the members around him and the sense I got of how they all felt about him.

As Jack's dog Max got older it got harder for him to get into the Jeep and make it to the dog park and Jack started to come alone. We talked about a puppy, but I think his family thought it might be too much for him to handle. I had kept track of one of Max's offspring and found out that she had had puppies. I guess this opportunity was too much for him to pass and he said he wanted one. We made two trips to see the young dogs and try to find a fit. I thought we were looking for a mellow little girl but Jack had a different idea. He took a pheasant wing and was dragging it around on the ground to see which young dog would point or go after it. Jack was looking for a hunter not a lap dog.

We decided on a pup with all the same coloring as her grandfather Max and Jack calls her Bell. Bell is eight months old now and comes every morning with Jack. She heals very well; a trait from her father, and keeps Jack busy making repairs to his back yard sprinkler system. We have been working her on birds now and have gotten her all excited about being a hunting dog. We have been out to Prado Dog Park for some weekday training sessions and a few trips to Jack's EGA hunting club. The goal is to have her ready for our chapter's fall test and test her in Natural Ability.

In the Johnson family Jack is husband, father, grandpa and great grandpa. To the community and our chapter he is a friend. So! When you see him at the next NAVHDA training day come up and say hi. Introduce your self and you can talk about family, hunting, dogs or just how good you feel about life. Jack is easy to spot! He's the member ninety-six years young with the walking stick and our chapter's senior treasure.



Jack at the March 2010 So.Cal. Training day

Organization... Organization....Organization....Organization.... Organization

The following members are your current Officers

Position	Nominee
<i>President</i>	Robert Worrell
<i>Vice President</i>	Garo Missakian
<i>Secretary</i>	Claude Trincale
<i>Director of Publications</i>	Claude Trincale
<i>Treasurer</i>	Guido Dei
<i>Training Day Coordinator</i>	Chris Gentner

Don't forget to review our www.socal.navhda website!

Your dues are due. If you have not paid them please contact Guido.

Sign up for the handler-dogs team only \$10.00/year subscription to the 'Members Page' so you can brag about your dogs or anything else that you like to brag about!

[The Elections are coming up. Please volunteer to keep this wonderful organization going.](#)

Several positions will be available; it only takes a little time but makes a huge difference.

Testing.... Testing....Testing.... Testing.... Testing.... Testing.... Testing....

We are getting ready for our So. Cal. NAVHDA Fall test and need a Test Secretary. Please call or see Bob W. To get the details.

News from National:

NAVHDA Members,

By now most of you are planning your summer training and testing season. Before you finalize your plans, we want to remind you to attend the 2010 NAVHDA Invitational that is being hosted by the Hawkeye Chapter near Searsboro, Iowa.

Last year the Invitational was held in Ohio and NAVHDA members from surrounding chapters came out in full force. Whether you are handling a dog, or coming as a spectator, working at the Invitational is not only a fun and productive way to see great dog work, it is an outstanding way to learn more about the test. The test requires 40 workers per day so the volunteer needs are greater than any one chapter can provide. The Invitational is an International event, which means each of us plays a part in its success. The preferred point of contact is through the Volunteer Form at <http://www.duckswild.com/Invitational/voltest.asp> which will go directly to Timothy Clark. Please fill out the form completely and he'll do his best to accommodate everyone. Please note all gunners must be approved by the Invitational committee. If you are interested in being a gunner, contact Marilyn Vetter at mvetter@presenter.com. Potential Invitational gunners must have previously gunned at a NAVHDA UT test and have a note of reference from a NAVHDA Judge.

Although there are plenty of jobs to go around, you will want to sign up soon to get the job you want.

Thank you,

Timothy Clark

2010 Invitational Volunteer Coordinator

We encourage you to go support some of our So Cal NAVHDA Members that are testing in the German system on May 15th, 2010. See below:



**NADKC Western Region
Chino Derby Flyer
May 15th, 2010**



Test dates: May 15th, 2010

We invite all the members of the Southern California Chapter of NAVHDA to come and watch an historical event for Southern California.

This will be the first time that a test under the rules of the German System Deutsch Kurzhaar Verband will be held in Southern California.

For your convenience all of your names will be added to the list of the participant so you'll pay Prado \$10.00 instead of the regular \$15.

Meeting Site: 06:30 am *GoodFellas Cafe*, 1090 Pomona Road, CA 92882.

Departure for the test site at 7:00 AM (Please arrive at 6:00 am if you are planning to have breakfast).

General Information:

- 1) Testing will be in accordance with the most current edition of the Deutsch Kurzhaar Verband.
- 2) All persons present at the test will be required to sign a Liability Waiver.
- 3) Only the dog being tested at that time and his handler are allowed in the field. All other dogs, handlers and spectators must stay on the road at a point not less than 50 yards behind the Judges.
- 4) Spectators not accompanying handlers must notify the Test Director of their intention to attend prior to the start of the test. No one not associated with the test shall be allowed on the test site grounds except when accompanied by the Test Director. Spectators must stay with the group.
- 5) Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the test grounds.
- 6) There will be a no-host dinner on Saturday evenings following the test at. *GoodFellas Cafe*, 1090 Pomona Road, CA 92882

Daily Agenda:

The agenda of the test will be determined by the Test Director and Judges, however, will be generally as follows:

6:15 AM *GoodFellas Cafe* Judges Meeting
 6:30 AM *GoodFellas Cafe* No-Host Breakfast
 7:00 AM *GoodFellas Cafe* Caravan to Test Site
 7:30 AM Prado, Start of test
 12:00 PM *Judges will break for lunch at their discretion.*
Lunch will be served at the test site for \$8.00.
Judges conference & announcement of test results following the conclusion of the test.
After test – Gathering for no host dinner at GoodFellas Cafe..

North American Deutsch Kurzhaar Club
Western Region Derby
 Chino, CA
 15th May 2010

Judges:

Steve Kolhmann, Senior Judge	Reno, Nevada
Leonard Baker Jr.	Fletcher, Oklahoma
Scott Sorenson	Potlatch, ID

Test Coordinator:

Guido Dei	Los Alamitos, CA
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Saturday May 15th, 2010

1. Astro vom Wüstenjäger 0532/09 01-03-09 Rüde Brschl.m.Plh

Mutter:	Xantara vom Riverwoods	0145/06	DGStB:58625/1
Vater:	Zunder vom Wittekind	1167/06	DGStB:58424/1
Zuchter:	Wayne & Lisa Davis	Prosser WA	
Eigentümer:	Garo Missakian	Phelan CA	
Abrichter:	Same		
Führer:	Same		

2. Aristide vom Dei-Haus 1327/09 28-08-09 Rüde Brschl.m.Pl.

Mutter:	Reni Erdmannshausen	0510/05	DGStB 58673/1
Vater:	Bellevue KS vom Hege-Haus	0924/04	DGStB 56212/1
Zuchter:	Guido Dei	Los Alamitos, CA	
Eigentümer:	Guido Dei	Los Alamitos, CA	
Abrichter:	Same		
Führer:	Same		

3. Miracle Mio vom Beaver Creeks 0120/09 06-11-08 Rüde Brschl.m.Plh

Mutter:	Feowna vom Beaver Creeks	1040/04	DGStB
Vater:	Yano vom Riverhoods	0063/00	DGStB 54648/2
Zuchter:	Lloyd Grover III	Coopersville, MI	
Eigentümer:	Carlos Hernandez	San Juan Capistrano, CA	

Abrichter: Same
Führer: Same

4. Annabelle vom Dei-Haus 1331/09 28-08-09 Hündin Hbrschl.m.Pl.

Mutter: Reni Erdmannshausen 0510/05 DGStB 58673/1
Vater: Bellevue KS vom Hege-Haus 0924/04 DGStB 56212/1
Züchter: Guido Dei Los Alamitos, CA
Eigentümer: Rick & Donique Jordan Apple Valley, CA
Abrichter: Same
Führer: Same

5. Alice Vom Dei-Haus 1330/09 28-08-09 Hündin Hbrschl.m.Pl.

Mutter: Reni Erdmannshausen 0510/05 DGStB 58673/1
Vater: Bellevue KS vom Hege-Haus 0924/04 DGStB 56212/1
Züchter: Guido Dei Los Alamitos, CA
Eigentümer: Steven Loeffler Lakewood, CA
Abrichter: Same
Führer: Same

6. Gaby vom Sparta-GR 0604/09 22-03-09 Hündin SchwSchl.m.Pl.

Mutter: Jaga von der Schnappenburg 0145/07 DGStB
Vater: Lebeau KS vom Hege-Haus 0090/01 DGStB52966/1
Züchter: Manny Boutsikakis Arlington Height, IL
Eigentümer: Garo Missakian Phelan CA
Abrichter: Same
Führer: Same

7. Alba vom Dei-Haus 1328/09 28-08-09 Hündin Brschl.m.br.Ku.Pl.

Mutter: Reni Erdmannshausen 0510/05 DGStB 58673/1
Vater: Bellevue KS vom Hege-Haus 0924/04 DGStB 56212/1
Züchter: Guido Dei Los Alamitos, CA
Eigentümer: Guido Dei Los Alamitos, CA
Abrichter: Same
Führer: Same

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2010 Training Schedule: Location; Prado

May's meeting is on Sunday May 16, 2010

On Training days, remember to tell the office that you are a member of So. Cal. NAVHDA to reduce your daily fee from \$15.00 to \$10.00.

Snake avoidance clinic recap

Robert Kettle from Nevada is the man with the snakes. He brought about 21 rattle snakes and had several different species in this home made boxes. We would put these boxes of snakes in my back garage at night and run a heater for them. We had to keep the temperature about 75 degrees and he would give up several times at night to check on them.

My wife wasn't very happy about having rattle snakes it her house and when Bob (Kettle) was about to leave she would always make him count them to make sure he didn't leave any behind.

Bob K. has been doing this for many years now and goes all over the states playing with his reptiles. He has told me many stories about things that has happen over the years. He says the snakes get stressed out and won't eat so he has to force feed them. He has been bitten twice by his "pets" and has almost died.

Bob K. talks about snakes all day long like we talk about our dogs or hunting. Some of his best memories are snake hunting in Nevada with his daughter.

We had three cages of snakes out in the field. Each cage contained about three different species of rattle snakes. The cages were in a line and space about 30' apart. There were cardboard boxes on top of each cage to keep them cool between dogs but they were removed before the dog approached the cage.

We would get the dog from the owner and change the dog's collar to a pretty heavy one just in case. Then we would wet the dog's neck down and then put on a shock collar. We had big rope lead that we used and most of the dogs just one lead was used. We had a few that we had to double lead using two men so we wouldn't get bitten.

Over this last weekend we snake broke about 90 dogs. Some of the dogs were done last year at this time and I handled some of them or watch them do it. Most of the first time dogs react the same way. We approached the cage from the down wind side on the first cast. You could tell when the dog caught the scent and would go straight into the cage. Some of

the dogs actually put the nose right on the cage. Bob was running the shock collar and would shock the dog right at the time the dog looked at the snake or smelled or heard the rattle noise. The second cast was from a different direction but moving right at the cage until the dog would look at the snakes again. We usually did three passes on each cage. By the last cage the dog has it figured out and is trying very hard to pull away and not looking at the cage at all.

Dogs that have done this before would start fighting and pulling to get away just as soon as they smelled the snakes. Some of the dogs tried to climb up my back or would hide behind me and look in a different direction. Some even tried to bite us to get out of harms way. Can't say I blame them!

Then we would go past the last cage where all the cages were lined up in a straight line and just stand there. Bob would have the owner come out from a hidden place and he would talk to the owner for a couple of minutes. Then the owner would call the dog. Most of the dogs went way out around the snakes back to the owner and avoiding the snakes totally. We only had 3 dogs that went right past the cages to the owner as Bob was shocking them at each cage. With those dogs we did the recall once again and they went way around the cages that time.

When the dog came back to the owner we would put it in a crate for 10 minutes. This gave the dogs a chance to clam down and think about just what happen. Well that was pretty much the way it went. Bob suggests to people that they do this every year for two years with their dogs to get the point across. We will be doing this again next year.

Take care
Bob Worrell

Sporting Dogs B&B

*Pictures of the February Training day at Prado:
Photo credit goes to Mrs. Dei*









Tournament Update:

On April 18th, 2010 the Riverside Chapter of Quails Unlimited held a fund raiser tournament at Prado. This event was very well attended and Marcel and Claude participated with all four dogs: Maya, Abby, Cody and Fletcher.

The deal was to find, shoot and bag 3 chukars in 10 mns or less. Missed shots added time to your run. Most of the 22 dogs found all three birds but four of the dogs did not.

Maya finished third with a smoking 3:47 run, Abby did well but due to two missed shots finished with 3 birds but in the 7mns range, Cody finished 5th in 4:18 beating Fletcher who finished in 5:19 due to a missed shot. The winning dog was a friend's GSP, Dixie, with a 3:00mns run.

The next tournament will be near Reno but, due to work schedules, only Fletcher will be competing. Then this September is "the big show" in Dayton, NV, four days of fun:

WILD WEST SHOOTOUT Gun Dog Championships September 16th - 19th, 2010

Dayton, Nevada

WILD WEST SHOOTOUT



For more information and entry forms on this hunt and other events including our Belt Buckle Series. Visit our web site

www.wildwestshootout.com

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