



# The Utility Source



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**NORTH AMERICAN VERSATILE HUNTING DOG ASSOCIATION, SAN DIEGO CHAPTER**

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- ◆ Grand Canyon Chapter NAVHDA
- ◆ San Diego County Wildlife Federation
- ◆ San Diego Sporting Dog Club
- ◆ High on Kennels

Hello San Diego chapter members,

I hope you all experienced a joyous holiday season.

I find myself reflecting on the loss of our So Cal's member Guido Dei. Guido was a great dog trainer and had an infectious personality. I think Guido had two maybe three dogs from his kennel that earned Versatile Champion titles, along with titles testing in the German system. He was one of the motivating members in the So Cal chapter. He will be sorely missed.

Well after taking November and December off we are back to training. I hope to see you all at our January 17th training day at Honey Springs. My dog Ace turns nine this month and I'm reflect-

ing on the eleven years I have been a San Diego chapter member. I value all the support I received from chapter members in training my hunting dog. I've tried to return that help to the chapter by helping other members with their dogs. The chapter can always use help on training days from our experienced members, so if you are not hunting on the 17th, jump in the car and come give us a hand.

We had a great Holiday Party hosted by the Gilliland's. The food was outstanding and we had a great time swapping hunting stories.

See you on the 17th,

Jeff Derbes





# Schedule of Events



## January 2016

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31  
NAVHDA  
Local Chapter  
Dues

### San Diego NAVHDA Schedule

- ♦ Jan 17th Training Day @ Honey Springs
- ♦ Feb 27th Training Day @ Honey Springs
- ♦ Mar 13th Trng Day @ High On Kennels
- ♦ Mar 26th Rattlesnake Avoidance @ Jamul Veterinary Hospital
- ♦ Apr 9th Trng Day / Mock Test @ Prado
- ♦ May 22nd Trng Day @ High On Kennels
- ♦ Jun 11th Training Day @ Prado

### Upcoming Test Dates

- ♦ Mar 18-20, Grand Canyon of Arizona, Phoenix, AZ, NA/UPT/UT
- ♦ Mar 18-20, So Cal Chapter Test, Chino, CA, NA/UPT/UT
- ♦ Apr 8-10, Great Central Valley, Ione, CA, NA/UPT/UT
- ♦ Apr 22-24, San Diego, Chino, CA, NA/UPT/UT

### Chapter Assets

Boat, Signs, T-shirts, Hats, Heeling Stakes, 2 Shotguns, First Aid Kits, Zinger Winger, Bird Launchers, Tables, Chain Gang, Training Table, Trailer, Whelping Box

**Please send all dues and applications to:**

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**Application for  
Chapter Membership**

**(Single Membership \$25 Family \$35)**

### Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance:	\$ 7124.52
Income:	\$ 0
Expenses:	\$ 227.82
Ending Balance:	<u>\$ 6896.70</u>



# The Utility Source Christmas Party

Many thanks to Kirt and Tiffany Gilliland for hosting the chapter Christmas party! Wonderful food, good conversation, and a chance to swap hunting stories were enjoyed by all.





As the bulk of the hunting seasons wind down, please send along any pictures and/or stories for publication in upcoming issues of the chapter newsletter. Clockwise from top left: Jim Hill with Belle (7 year old GSP), Justus (3 year old PP), and bird friends. Bob Kendall & Jaeger's Mearn's quail haul. 'Belle Means Business' with ducks. Belle and Justus with pheasant. Bottom: Belle and Justus work the field.





## Jan 17th Training Day @ Honey Springs Dog Training Area



### Honey Springs Dog Training Area Honey Springs Road, Jamul CA 91935

Located about 7 mi SE of Jamul. From Jamul take Hwy 94 (Campo Rd) 4.5 mi to Honey Springs Rd (on left). Travel 2.5 mi to a white picket fence on the left and turn left on the dirt road 200 yards past the white picket fence—continue to the parking area.

Shooters at Honey Springs must have a CA hunting license and use only non-lead shot.

## Versatile Breed : German Longhaired Pointer

The German longhaired pointer was developed in Germany and is used as a multipurpose gundog. It has a strong and well-regarded club (first club established in 1893; all clubs consolidated in 1926) in its homeland, a growing population in North America and even a small but active following on the field trial circuit in the Netherlands, France, and Spain. The breed soon gained a reputation as a tough-as-nails "forester's dog", an excellent water worker, and a calm steady tracker of big game. Compared to its shorthaired and wirehaired cousins, the GLP was considered more of a niche breed like the Weimaraner, valued for its slower, steadier hunting style, strong protective instinct, and sharpness on predators.

The GLP should be muscular, elegant, and athletic. It should not be bulky or cumbersome, and it should move with great speed and freedom. It has moderate but substantial bone and must never look weak or frail. In terms of size, males should be 24-28in and females 23-26in and GLPs weigh in at approximately 60 pounds. The coat is of medium length and can be solid brown, liver roan, or brown and white in many combinations but never black. The coat is slightly wavy, but must not be curly. It is not silky or soft, but rather firm and shiny. The GLP always has a double coat with the undercoat being quite dense.



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## Training/Testing Days

### *Rules & Regulations:*

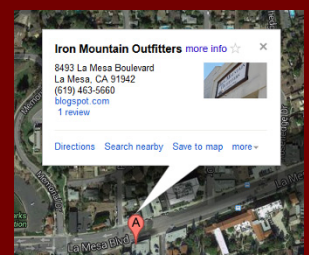
- Dogs are to be under control at all times (leash rule is in effect)
- Everyone in the field must wear blaze orange hat, t-shirt or vest and have completed a hunter safety class or have a hunting license
- Children are welcome at our Training Days. They may enter the training field when accompanied by an adult, and wearing blaze orange above the waist. Otherwise they are welcome to remain in the parking area with a supervising adult.
- No Alcohol on premises
- Shotguns must be break action only

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