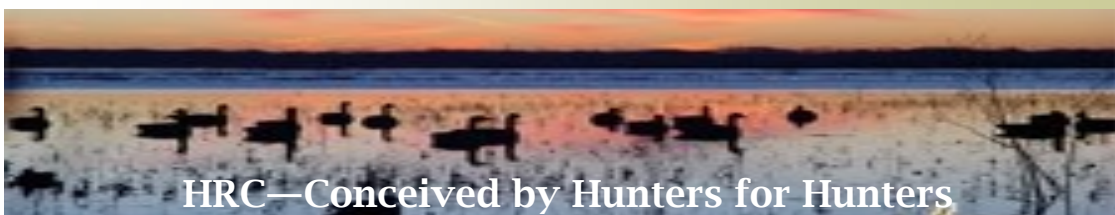




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## PLATTE VALLEY HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB



HRC—Conceived by Hunters for Hunters

Affiliated with The United Kennel Club, Inc., & The Hunting Retriever Club, Inc.

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### Message From Your President, Ryan Armstrong



Hello everyone,

I hope you all are enjoying the spring weather and getting in plenty of training time while it's not too hot out there.

It was great seeing everyone at our hunt test a couple of weekends ago. Overall, it was a success, and I want to thank all of you who came to Indian Meadows to help. There are a huge number of tasks that need to be done

to put on these events. Having such a large group of members who are willing to step up and help where needed without even being asked to do so is a huge help and is very much appreciated.

The test was also successful financially. However, it was discovered that the tires on our equipment trailer were in very bad shape and needed to be replaced prior to returning back to the Heldt's' house. Dave Heldt was able to take the trailer to a local shop and get new tires put on for us. Thanks, Dave!

That said, if you're around any club equipment such as the equipment trailer, bird crate trailer or any training equipment, please take an extra moment to look it over and make sure it's in good working order. If you find any issues (especially safety-related), please report them to me or any member of the leadership group so they can be addressed.

Also, the three missing wingers that belong to PVHRC have been found.

Our next club training day is scheduled for May 20th. We will be sending out an email with the details as we get closer to that date. We have a training day scheduled for June 10th as well, but still need someone to coordinate it. If you're willing to volunteer as coordinator, please contact me.

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### 2020 UPCOMING EVENTS

07/08&09	Boomtown HRC Reg Hunt Test <b>Premium</b>
07/15&16	WCHRC Reg Hunt Test <b>Premium</b>
07/22	PVHRC Picnic
07/23	Tentative Training with Hidden Pines
08/26&27	PVHRC HRC Reg Hunt Test Premium (Not Posted)
08/26&27	Elkhorn HRC Reg Hunt Test <b>Premium</b>

Go to [PVHRC.com/Calendar](https://www.pvhrc.com/Calendar) for detailed dates

**[LINK TO ALL HRC PREMIUMS](#)**

#### PV OFFICERS

President — Ryan Armstrong  
Vice President — Rudy Krupka  
Treasurer — David Heldt  
Secretary — Bryan LaFonte

#### BOARD MEMBERS

Lee Ann Heldt      Mike Brockman  
Curt Lacey        Brie Armstrong  
Alan Goff         Jim McLaughlin  
Lane Williams    Chris Jeffers

Membership Chair — Mike Brockman  
Webmaster — Lee Ann Heldt  
Newsletter — Curt Lacey

#### DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THIS NEWSLETTER IS THE 26th OF EACH

MONTH. Materials received after the deadline will not be included. Submissions are subject to the editor's decision on inclusion and may be edited. Opinions are those of the various authors and may not express the official position of the PVHRC, Inc.

*Member contributions to this newsletter is encouraged*



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See you all soon!

Ryan

Ryan Armstrong  
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Email: [armstrongryana@gmail.com](mailto:armstrongryana@gmail.com) .

**Platte Valley Hunting Retriever Club**

**April Board Meeting**

**Sportsman's Warehouse**

**April 5, 2023, 6:00 PM**

**Attendance**

Ryan Armstrong, Rudy Krupka, Bryan LaFonte, David Heldt,  
Lane Williams, Mike Brockman, Lee Ann Heldt, Curt  
Lacey, Alan Goff, Jim McLaughlin

**Treasurer Report** (David Heldt)

Account Balance: Well in the Black  
Bought new holding blinds  
Bought judges books for two tests  
Bought new upland bird bags  
Paid lease for Tom Waskosky's property

**Membership Chair Update** (Mike Brockman)

152 total members  
147 paid members  
20 new members  
31 family memberships  
7 new members from 2021 have not renewed  
Mike presented the idea of having mirror hangers to  
identify members on leased properties  
Change the color every year  
Need to work on figuring out how to get these out  
to everyone  
Board approved the idea

**Monthly Training Day Recap** (Jim McLaughlin)

Snow on the ground but good turnout  
Worked on the "W" Drill  
Consider getting 10 more holding blinds

**April Training Day**

April 16 at 8:00 AM

Hosted by Tom Waskowsky at his place

Curt will bring the club wingers

**Upland Hunt Test Team** (Curt Lacey)

Planning to meet after our spring test

Western Colorado is not putting on an upland test next  
year

Get Region 13 weekend reserved for the future

**Southern Colorado Hunt Test Recap**

Windy conditions

Had a good raffle

**PVHRC Spring Hunt Test**

Raffle update

BBQ Catering

Planning on 65 plates

Friday setup will begin with lunch at 11:30 AM

**Additional Updates**

Bryan will send out proposed signage for lease  
properties

Website discussion

Steve is going to send us the login info

We will put entry links to hunt tests in  
calendar

We can also put links in the newsletter  
since most people don't print it out.

**7:15 PM Meeting Adjourned**

**Platte Valley Hunting Retriever Club**

**May Board Meeting**

**Google Meet**

**May 3, 2023, 6:00 PM**

**Attendance**

Ryan Armstrong, Brie Armstrong, David Heldt, Lee Ann  
Heldt, Jim McLaughlin, Rudy Krupka, Bryan LaFonte,  
Mike Brockman, Curt Lacey, Alan Goff, Chris Jeffers,



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Lane Williams

**Treasurer Report** (David Heldt)

Account Balance: Well in the Black

**Spring Test**

Club made \$2,103.01 overall

95 more entries than last year

92 more passes than last year (more ribbons)

**Raffle Breakdown**

Revenue: \$1,570

Expenses: \$485.63

\$248.50 to Curt Lacey for winger

\$237.13 to Mike Kuitemann for  
other items

Profit: \$1,084.37

Dave bought 4 brand new tires for trailer for \$571.08

We are missing 3 wingers from the hunt test

**Membership Chair Update** (Mike Brockman)

**Mirror Hangers**

Handed out between one third and one half

Spent about \$150 so far

Need to mail out the remaining 70 or so

**Hunt Test Recap**

**Social**

Came very close to running out of food

Paid for 65 plates and sold 65 plates (had to stop  
selling tickets)

Might be worth looking at other catering options  
for future tests

**Areas for Improvement**

More experience on hunt committee

Complaints about running tests efficiently  
(especially finished Sunday)

Equipment got left outside trailer—wingers not  
tied down—nothing organized

Wind was an issue with the holding blinds

Dave suggested getting extensions for  
sandy ground

We had a Boy Scout fall into canal

Have marshals try to keep an eye on  
them in future

**Fall Hunt Test** (Rudy Krupka)

Discussed whether it is worth holding the test this year

Heat is a big concern

Tough on man and beast

Makes it hard to recruit judges

Makes it hard to recruit bird boys

Also hard to recruit judges because they've judged so  
many other tests in the region by that time

Hunting season makes it hard to hold the test later in the  
year

More clubs in the region are holding tests, so PVHRC  
holding two is not as necessary

We might lose the deposit on the birds

It would be one less opportunity to run our dogs

Rudy Krupka made a motion to cancel the fall test—  
seconded—motion passed by vote of 11-1

Voting Yes: Ryan Armstrong, Brie Armstrong (by  
proxy), David Heldt, Lee Ann Heldt, Jim  
McLaughlin, Rudy Krupka, Bryan LaFonte,  
Mike Brockman, Curt Lacey, Chris Jeffers,  
Lane Williams

Voting No: Alan Goff

**May Training Day** (David Heldt)

Saturday, May 20

Mark Powell's Property

Organized by David Held, Dan Feighert, and Len Benjamin

**Other Updates**

Ryan is planning on going to the national meeting this year

Upland group meeting after board meeting

**7:00 PM Meeting Adjourned**



## PVHRC SPONSORS







## PVHRC Picnic/Auction



### CLUB PICNIC/AUCTION FUNDRAISER

**JULY 22—11:30 Noon**

**The Heldt's Place — 33681 County Road 13—Windsor, CO 80550**  
**DAVE'S FAMOUS SMOKED MEATS — LOTS OF AUCTION ITEMS— CAMARADERIE—MORE FOOD — FUN**

- 🐾 **DOOR PRIZES, 2 \$100.00 SPORTSMAN WHAREHOUSE GIFT CARDS**
- 🐾 **DRAWING TO HUNT THE EAST POND\***
- 🐾 **TITLE PINS WILL BE AWARDED [BE SURE TO LET LEE ANN KNOW IF YOU HAVE TITLED SINCE LAST PICNIC] la-heldt@hotmail.com**
- 🐾 **A LOT OF GREAT AUCTION ITEMS. THERE WILL BE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!**

*\*Only those who attend the Picnic Auction get their name in the hat to Hunt The East Pond.*

### WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING TO THE PICNIC/AUCTION

- 🐾 **WE NEED NEW [OR USED IN EXCELLENT CONDITION] ITEMS FOR THE AUCTION.**  
**DOES NOT NEED TO BE HUNTING OR TRAINING RELATED. ANYTHING NICE OR USEFUL.**
- 🐾 **IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL TALENT [CARVINGS, ARTIST, QUILTS, ETC] PLEASE DONATE YOUR CRAFTED ITEM TO THE RAFFLE.**
- 🐾 **IF YOU SIMPLY DON'T HAVE TIME TO GET SOMETHING TO DONATE, THEN PLEASE COME WITH YOUR CHECKBOOK AND A SMILE.**
- 🐾 **BRING A SIDEDISH OR DESSERT!**

### DAVID HELDT WILL BE SMOKING PORK OR BEEF OR MAYBE BOTH

*Remember it's a fundraiser for the club. Any bargains are a bonus.*

*Half the fun is raising somebody's bid and risk ending up with something you don't need!*



**Duck call by Rich Carpenter donated by a former member that won the bid back in 1993.**





## PVHRC Trailer Organizing & Winger Repair



Saturday, April 15th, Ryan Armstrong, Mike Brockman, Ryan Fox, David & Lee Ann Heldt, Dan Feighert, Len & Mary Benjamin, & Curt Lacey met at the Heldt's to organize the trailer and fix wingers.







## PVHRC Members Training



**Curt Lacey & Annie went to Sterling to train with John & his wife Courtney Brown (taking photos) and their daughters Rilynn & Edynn along with Mike Schott.**



**Curt & Annie on the left honoring John Brown & Arie working**



**Mike Schott & Timber**



**Rilynn**

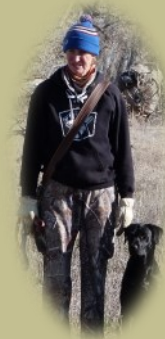


**Edynn**





# PVHRC Training at Waskosky's







# PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Above, Ryan Armstrong, President of PVHR thanking everyone for attending the Saturday social and recognizing the Boy Scout group, below who are the Bird Techs for the weekend hunt test.**





# PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Joohn Brown  
&  
Arie, 1st Finished Pass**



**Mike Kuetemann  
&  
Hank, 1st Finished  
Pass**



**Paul Navarre  
&  
Teal, 2 Started Passes**



**Mike Frazier  
&  
Sadie, 1st Seasoned Pass**



**Mike Schott  
&  
Timber, 1st Seasoned Pass**



**Rick Hill  
&  
Miles, 1st Seasoned Pass**





# PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Kevin Christner  
With  
Cahlie & Goose  
2 ea 1st Seasoned Passes**



**Kathi Streeter  
&  
Classy 1st Seasoned Pass**



**Brad Hjelm  
&  
Ellie Left, 2 Finished Passes  
&  
Amber Right, 2nd & 3rd Started  
Passes**



**Rob Vosbeek  
&  
Dutch Seasoned Pass**



**Nancy Ego  
&  
Scotch, 2 Finished Passes**



**Willie Ratliff  
&  
Picket Finished Pass**





# PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Rich Jenke  
&  
Sarah, Finished Pass**



**Rich Carpenter  
&  
Popi, Finished Pass**



**Jim McLaughlin  
&  
Bones Finished Pass**



**Mary McNeese  
&  
Kellan, Finished Pass**



**Wes Dillion  
&  
Oakle, Finished Pass**



**Rudy Krupka  
&  
Bodie, Finished Pass**



# PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Mike Schwan  
&  
Louis, Finished Pass**



**Myles Edwards  
&  
Flora, Finished Pass**



**Started Handlers Meeting**



**Started Water**





## PVHRC 2023 Spring Hunt Test



**Started Land**



**Finished Water**



The Toller crowd showed up on Sunday.

Left to right: Randy Harrold with Ruger, Dude, and Teddy, Hannah Zamuido and Jake Plamodon with Charley, Rick Hill with Miles, Nancy DeVore with Jessie (SHR Title), Elizabeth Arnold-Corette with Andy.





## PVHRC Needle & Thread Grass



Seems word has gotten around well on Cheat Grass and Foxtail and their danger to dogs. Wonder if most are aware of similar danger from Needle and Thread grass? With a wet spring, it seems to make it very prevalent when hardly seen in dry years. Took a couple pics at my place today and have noticed large areas of it around. While it can get in tongues, eyes, and ears etc. of cattle, can also be an issue with dogs. The good thing is with the long awn, it is easy to see and get out before the barbed head works its way in, particularly easier to see on short hair dogs.



# PVHRC Ribbon Collection Ideas



Mike Brockman's

Ribbon Collection

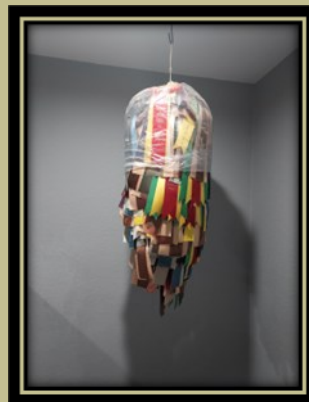
1. I have a "shadow box" bought off Amazon for his significant stuff.
  - A. timeline summary
  - B. His most significant certificate (500 point cert that was reduced to 60% and color copied)
  - C. His most significant ribbons (1st Started, SHR, HR, HRCH, UH, 500 points)
  - D. "Tags" from each different club
  - E. Rosettes from each club
2. A jar for all the leftover, non-title rosettes.



Rich Carpenter

Ribbon Collection

If club members have other ideas, please share.



Joe Olson

Ribbon Collection





# PVHRC Litter Announcement

## GSP Puppies

This litter announcement is for my dog Shoshoni, female GSP with no papers, but pure bred and Thor, working dog for handler in South Denver. Thor is a UKC paper male. He is an excellent wild bird hunter that the handler uses regularly.

There are six girls and two boys. One female is spoken for. Tails are docked and dewclaws removed. Will have first shot and dewormer.

Bird training has started with pheasant/chukar wings. Also bumper training.

Asking \$600ea.

Contact: Phil Beaufeaux: Text/call me at 602-301-8028 for more info/pics.







## Trading Post

Contact: Tom Waskosky

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