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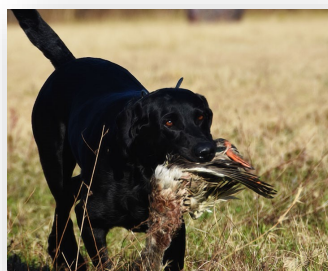
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About NEFHRC Newsletter

This monthly newsletter is to help members keep updated on our club events, achievements, or other announcements that may be of interest. If you have something you would like to submit, please call or e-mail Karen VanDonsel at (828-877-3254 or webmaster@nefhrc.net).

Please feel free to submit pic-



tures, brags, sale of dog or training equipment, litters or any other items of interest for club members. The deadline for submission is the 15th of each month.

This newsletter is for you, our members. We want to include what you want. So, please help make this a great newsletter and submit your articles, pictures, stories and ideas. We want to hear from you!

Coming Events

- 05/19-05/20/2018 Carolina Boykin Spaniel
- 05/19/2018 NEFHRC Training Day
- 06/16/2018 NEFHRC Training Day
- 07/21/2018 NEFHRC Training Day
- 08/18/2018 NEFHRC Training Day
- 09/08-09/09 North Georgia HRC
- 09/15/2018 NEFHRC Training Day
- 09/15-09/16/2018 Big Elkin Creek

NEFHRC 2018 Spring Hunt Test

The NEFHRC 2018 Spring Hunt Test was held the weekend of April 14-April 15, 2018 at SSJ Quail Farm in Hilliard, FL. A big thank you to all that helped make the spring hunt test such a success. We had a smooth day Saturday and only had 3 dogs that were unable to complete their test Sunday due to weather!

Our club may be small, but we were complimented by many judges and handlers.

Judges were impressed with members that would run their dog and then help with throwing birds, hauling equipment, moving set-ups, etc. These judges were some of the most experienced in HRC, as well as the former National President of HRC!

Sharon and Stewart of SSJ were also very complimentary of our club and members. As you know, they are understandably very selective with people using their

property!

So, all in all, a very successful weekend!



How to Keep Mosquitoes Away from Your Dog

"Don't use mosquito repellants meant for humans."

Mosquitoes are miserable enough for people to deal with, and they're equally annoying to our dogs. They get bug bites just as easily as we do, and they can also get the various diseases that mosquitoes carry. While dogs are immune to some of the diseases mosquitoes have been known to carry, they can contract some of them such as West Nile Virus and Heartworm disease. Prevention against these threats is the best option, and there are several methods of keeping mosquitoes away from your dog.

Don't Use Mosquito Repellants Meant for Humans

If mosquitoes are a particularly significant problem for your dog, resist the urge to spray human bug spray on them. While it may keep the mosquitoes away, the ingredients in most human bug sprays are extremely toxic to dogs, especially DEET. The side effects can be as mild as skin irritation or as serious as vomiting and even seizures. If the dog consumed a substantial amount of the spray, it could cause permanent damage and possibly death.

Keep Your Dog Away from Bodies of Water

Mosquitoes love water. Not only do they need it to survive, but they also breed in water. Even small areas with water such as puddles, bird baths or a water dish can attract mosquitoes, but they are especially populous in

areas such as ponds and swamps. Keep your dog away from outside sources of water as much as possible. If you dog has a water bowl outside, empty it at night and flip it upside down to help prevent mosquitoes from trying to breed in it.

Attract Natural Predators of Mosquitoes

If mosquitoes still tend to hang around your home, you can try to eliminate them naturally by attracting some of their predators. Birds and bats absolutely love snacking on mosquitoes, and they're fairly easy to attract to your yard. Simply put out some bird and bat houses and maybe put out some bird seed and a little cover to make the area especially appealing to birds and bats.

Use Mosquito Repelling Products

There are several reliable mosquito repellants made specifically for canine use. K9 Advantix II, Bio Spot and Flys Off are just a few of the top brands of bug repellent for use on pets. The best part is that these products usually don't need to be applied on a daily basis like a human would have to do. In fact, most of these products will repel several different types of bugs from your dog for over 30 days.

Use Natural Alternatives

If chemical solutions aren't to your liking, there are several natural methods of keeping

mosquitoes off of your dog. Mixing geranium and soybean oil together makes a fantastic mosquito repellant for dogs. The effects typically last for around four hours, but it can be made very cheaply, is safe for continued usage on a dog's skin and has no harsh smell.

Lemon eucalyptus oil is also one of the most popular natural mosquito repellents for dogs and humans alike. In fact, there are special sprays of the oil meant specifically for dogs, and even clip-on insect repellants for their collars to keep their fur from getting oily. Just ensure that if you do get a commercial version of the oil that it's meant for canine use.

Finally, simply using citrus juice of any kind will help repel mosquitoes away from your dog. Cut up a fresh citrus fruit, such as a lemon or grapefruit, and rub it into your dog's fur, being mindful of the eyes and mouth. You can also bottle the juice and make a spray for it. This method typically lasts around two to three hours.

Just ensure that you properly research any natural method that you choose. Some methods may end up causing skin irritation and others may possibly be toxic to your dog.

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Repel Mosquitoes from the Yard

There are some yard foggers, sprays, citronella candles and coils and even some electrical devices that can keep mosquitoes away from your yard and pets. Remember to keep your dog far away from areas where these are being used, however, as they can be a hazard to your pet.

There are many cheap and easy ways to keep mosquitoes away from your dog, and every effort to do so will help keep your dog happy, healthy and safe. Plus, keeping mosquitoes away from your dog will also help to keep them away from you and your family, making your home and everyday life even safer.

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For full article and related video, go to
<https://doghealthinsider.com/how-to-keep-mosquitoes-away-from-your-dog/>



Below is a listing of all pet health related articles that have appeared in *The Hunter's Blind*, along with the issue in which the article appeared. If you need to refer to a particular article, you can download the specific issue on the Newsletter page of the club's web site (<http://www.nefhrc.net/newsletters/>). If you have any problems or questions, please e-mail Karen VanDonsel at Webmaster@nefhrc.net.

Article	Issue Included
Living With a Blind Dog: Helpful Tips	03/01/2016
Ear Infections (Otitis Externa) & Ear Cleaning in Dogs	04/01/2016
First Aid for Snake Bites in Dogs	05/01/2016
An Evacuation Kit for Your Dog	06/01/2016
Heatstroke (Hyperthermia)	07/01/2016
Ruptured Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL)	08/01/2016
burns: First Aid for Pets	09/01/2016
Food Allergies and Food Intolerance	10/01/2016
Choking: Using the Heimlich Maneuver in Dogs	11/01/2016
Dog Emergencies: Contact Your Veterinarian When Your Dog Shows These Signs	11/01/2016
Arthritis (Degenerative Joint Disease, Osteoarthritis)	12/01/2016
Causes and Management of Arthritis & Other Joint Diseases in Dogs	01/01/2017
Hip Dysplasia in Dogs: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Prevention	02/01/2017
Heartworm (Dirofilaria Immitis) Infection & Prevention	04/01/2017
Mast Cell Tumors	05/01/2017
Kennel Cough (Infectious Tracheobronchitis) in Dogs	08/01/2017
Canine Influenza (Dog Flu)	09/01/2017
Blastomycosis	10/01/2017
Benign Skin Tumors in Dogs	12/01/2017
Coughing in Dogs and Cats	01/01/2018
Sneezing and Nasal Discharge in Dogs and Puppies	02/01/2018
When and How to Induce Vomiting in Your Dog	03/01/2018
Ten Dangers to Your Dog in the Summer	04/01/2018



NORTHEAST FLORIDA HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

____ New Member ____ Renewal

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE Home: _____

Other: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

DOG BREED: _____

CALL NAME: _____

Club dues are \$50.00 for both individual and family membership. The dues include the cost of the NEFHRC decal.

ANNUAL CLUB DUES ARE DUE JANUARY 1ST OF EACH YEAR.

Please make checks payable to NORTHEAST FLORIDA HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB.

Mail the check and both pages to:

Barry Sales, NEFHRC Treasurer
11869 Remsen Road
Jacksonville, FL 32223
(904) 923-2813

Areas where I'd like to help with the Club:

RELEASE

WHEREAS the undersigned desires to release certain parties from any damages that may arise, directly or indirectly, as the result of his/her participation in club activities offered by the Northeast Florida Hunting Retriever Club, fully realizing the inherent danger in any type of sporting event of this nature.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of being allowed to participate in said activities, the undersigned does hereby release and forever discharge Northeast Florida Hunting Retriever Club, its officers, directors, members, participants, spectators, and all landowners whose land they may be using, from and all manner of actions, causes of such actions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, which may arise now or in the future because of, or pertaining to, the undersigned's participation in any of its activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my hand the date and year written below.

DATED AND SIGNED THIS _____ day of _____.

(Name Printed)_____ (Name Signed)_____

All club members are urged to also become members of the national HRC. To do so, complete the form found on our website and send to: UNITED KENNEL CLUB – HRC, 100 East Kilgore Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49001. Annual National HRC dues are \$25.00 (individual) and \$30.00 (family). This membership includes the *HUNTING RETRIEVER* magazine.

If currently a member of the National HRC, enter Membership #_____ and Expiration Date _____.



Hunting Retriever Club, Inc.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

In North America today, there is an organization that was established to test the hunting retriever in a true-to-life hunting environment. This organization, the Hunting Retriever Club, Inc., was created to develop the type of testing that you, and thousands like you, have wanted for years. The Hunting Retriever Club, Inc. (HRC) has established a no-nonsense, true to life, training and testing program where gun dog owners meet, train, learn and test their dogs afield.

The HRC was formed under the auspices of the United Kennel Club, Inc. (UKC). UKC was founded in 1898 as a purebred dog registry devoted to maintaining the inherent working abilities of hunting dogs. UKC sponsors more hunting dog events than any other such organization in the world.

You can renew your HRC membership or join HRC on line on UKC's website by ordering the Hunting Retriever magazine. Each membership includes a subscription to the HRC magazine, which includes training and information articles as well as local Club event results and a list of upcoming events of the HRC local Clubs. You can choose a one or two year membership that will begin as soon as your application is processed.

If you prefer, you may use the paper application below. Please include a check or money order payable in United States funds, made out to *HRC, Inc.* or *UKC* Send the application & fees to:

**Hunting Retriever Club, Inc.
c/o United Kennel Club, Inc.
100 E. Kilgore Road
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49002**

Membership type:

USA: 1 year Individual \$25.00_____ Family \$30.00_____
2 year Individual \$50.00_____ Family \$60.00_____

Foreign/Canadian: 1 year Individual \$30.00_____ Family \$35.00_____
2 year Individual \$60.00_____ Family \$70.00_____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

What HRC Local Club are you a member of? _____

Family members name(s):



We're on the web!

<http://nefhrc.net>

NEFHRC is sanctioned by the United Kennel Club, Inc. We are a club devoted to the training of bird hunting dogs for the purposes of hunting and hunt tests. As the UKC says, we are a club "*Conceived by hunters for hunters.*"

Club Officers and Contacts

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Summer is just about here! Take a breather!



MAY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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06	07	08	09	10	11	12
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20 Carolina Boykin Spaniel	21	22	23	24	25	26
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JUNE 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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