

The Retriever Review

The Newsletter of Colorado River Retriever Club

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hope you all had a great Christmas. Ours was a little thin, but we used the time to remember what it really is all about.

As the New Year is upon us, the executive committee would like to wish everyone a better 2021 year.

We had a lot of adversity in 2020, but in my opinion CRRC came out looking like champs. It has been trying putting on these two hunt test and having meetings with the Covid, but with a group like ours, anything is possible.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Carol Cassity Seminar next week.

Please stay safe and let's have a great February hunt test.

Sam Roll



Quote: "Old dogs, like old shoes, are comfortable. They might be a bit out of shape and a little worn around the edges, but they fit well."

--- *Bonnie Wilcox*



The Club's Best News

JANUARY MEETING

The next CRRC meeting will be
Wednesday, **January 13, 2021**
7:00 pm

Las Flores Restaurant

306 E House Street
Alvin, Texas 77511



DECEMBER MEETING

Minutes

CRRC's *December* meeting was held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020. Sam Roll, *President* called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Member's Present: Sam & Karen Roll, Kenneth & Michele Burge, Lori Allyn, Carrie & Logan Shaw, Mchaji Celestaine, Patrick & Tammy Cumiskey and Don Koster.

Welcome: Sam Roll welcomed all.

Sam Roll asked that a motion be made to approve the minutes from the November 11, 2020 meeting. Lori Allyn made a motion to approve and a second was made by Pat Cumiskey, all were in favor and the minutes were accepted.

Officers Report:

President: Sam Roll reported that the Christmas Party was a great success and that he is very thankful to Steve and Maria Jefferies for allowing us to have it at the Flying V Ranch.

Vice President: Ken Burge reported that he contacted many club members on the 2021 officer nominations making sure all were aware that nominations are open to anyone who would like to fill an officer's position. He reported that he had very positive responses with several members stating they would consider holding an officer in the future.

Secretary: Please continue to send in your 2021 membership applications and dues, which are due in *January 2021*.

Treasure: Lori Allyn reported a balance of 13,720.80 in the bank.

Historian: Send pictures to Carrie Shaw or post them on the Facebook page.

Region 11: Jason Luker is the Region 11 Field Rep and Robert Hines is the Running Rules Rep. Sam Roll reported that the running rules changes need to be submitted by February 28, 2021. You will receive a new rulebook for 2021-2022 with your January HRC magazine.

Old Business:

Carol Cassity: The Carol Cassity Seminar has been rescheduled for January 1-3, 2021, at the Flying V Ranch, in Angleton. Please RSVP to Patrick Cumiskey if you plan to attend. The seminar is free to all **Paid** CRRC members, only. The club will provide lunch on Friday & Saturday and a Saturday evening question & answer session over Dinner.

New Business:

2021 Officer Elections: If you would like to run or nominate someone for an officer's position, nominations are open. Don Koster made a motion to accept the officers as they are and a second was made by Karen Roll, all were in favor and the current officers were accepted.

CRRC February Hunt Test: CRRC's Spring Hunt will be on February 20-21, 2021 in Texas City, Texas. Randy Crable, hunt chairman, reported that this test will be a 1-1-2 and very much like the test we held in October, due to Covid-19.

Potential Upland Test: Sam presented to the club the possibility of an interest in an upland hunt. It will be discussed more at the January meeting.

Save The Date!

**Colorado River Retriever Club
Presents:**

**Carol Cassity Seminar
January 1-3, 2021
Flying V Ranch**



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Training Topic: The topic for this month was presented by Ken Burge. Ken reported that his dog Minnie was diagnosed with heartworms. He was using *Ivermectin*, which may not be as effective as it once was. They are also aware of several dogs testing positive that have been on *Heart Guard*. Ken stated that his Vet was suggesting another heartworm medicine and will keep everyone posted.

Door Prize: Tammy Cumiskey was the winner of the Stainless Tumbler w/CRRC Logo.
Congratulations Tammy!

Colorado River Retriever Club 2020 Hunt Test
UKC Licensed Regular Hunt
February 20 – 21, 2021



Gulf Coast Water Authority
7750 Humble Camp Road
Dickinson, Texas 77539

Randy Crable – Hunt Chairman
racrable@gmail.com * 409-789-7328

Maria Jefferies – Hunt Secretary
mjjefferies@hotmail.com * 979-299-2111

CODES COMING SOON
I will send out an email



www.crrcinc.org

Sam Roll has been working on our website, come on over and take a look!

It is under construction, so bear with us.

We need your favorite pictures, please send them to Sam at

sroll@ellenlighting.com



Message from the Secretary

It is time once again to renew our **2021 Membership Applications** and pay the club dues.
Our club dues are due **January 2021**.

Please help me keep the membership information updated. If you have moved and have a new address, if your phone number or email has changed or if you have a “new” canine family member, please update this for me. I also love to recognize our four legged family’s birthdays, so please make sure to include this information too.



Pawsing

to Remind You ...

If you would like to see you and/or your dog’s hunting/hunt test pictures in the newsletter, Please email: mljefferies@hotmail.com or text: 979-299-2111 them to me.



Thank you!
Karen Roll, for taking the minutes for me at the December meeting.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Waduya Call Cheez Dats Not Urs

"Nacho" 12-25-2016

Owned by Katie Brouillette

BigBayDogs Ain't No Rest for the Wicked

"Kate" 12-29-2017

Owned by Patrick & Tammy Cumiskey

Ferguson's Favorite Hemi

"Hemi" 12-29-2016

Owned by Denise Ferguson

Wayne's Wild Wigeon

"Wigeon" 12-10-2013

Owned by Wayne Lindsey

Murray's Ghadar Loirg Paddy

"Paddy" 12-17-2018

Owned by Robert Murray

Twin Rivers Hell on Heels

"Annie" 12-26-2014

Owned by Michael & Lisa Nutter

3 Frogs Rougarou

"Rou" 12-26-2016

Owned by Thomas Pantin

Sir Drake of Mt. Ranch

"Drake" 12-7-2017

Owned by Tad & Mary Perry

Roll's Devil Eyed Whiskey Girl

"Daisy" 12-21-2013

Owned by Sam & Karen Roll

Topbrass Blackhawk's Fly Boy

"Ace" 12-17-2018

Owned by Dwayne & Leslie Shaw



Dog Topic

Why Do Dogs Sneeze?

Dog sneezes are common and often cute! Our canine companions squeeze their eyes shut and scrunch up their noses right before a big achhoooo. There are many reasons dogs sneeze, ranging from playful behavior and communication to more serious health concerns. You could even say it's nothing to sneeze at.

Why Does My Dog Sneeze?

Just like humans, dogs sneeze for lots of reasons. Some sneezes are more serious than others.

Environment

The most common reason dogs sneeze is because they inhaled something irritating that's stuck in their nose.

This is why dogs sneeze after sticking their snout into the grass or digging in the dirt.

Sometimes they'll smell something irritating, like perfume, household products and cleaners, or dust that makes them sneeze.

Communication

Dogs use their sneezes to communicate with humans and other animals. Sneezes are just one method of communicating, just like a dog's body language or facial expressions.

When dogs play together, they constantly communicate through sneezes.

Dogs will also use sneezes as a "calming signal" to show that they need to slow down, take a break, or express that they are comfortable with what's happening.

Playfulness

Many dogs like to sneeze when they play with other dogs or humans. This "play sneezing" is normal and something dogs use to show that they are excited and having a good time. Dogs will also use play sneezing to show that their behavior is only playful.

Dogs also tend to curl their lips while they are playing a fun activity. This lip curl creates a wrinkled nose that can cause their body to erupt in a sneeze. Playful sneezes tend to be a short snort that comes from the nose instead of the lungs.

Attention

Dogs sometimes "fake sneeze" to get attention or express an interest in playing.

If your dog sneezes around meal time or regular walk times, there's a chance they are fake sneezing to get what they want.

Health Problems

Sneezing is actually healthy because the body is doing what it needs to do. It can also be a symptom of a mild health condition, like a cold.

Sometimes it can be a sign of more serious teeth or nasal passage problems. There may be a nasal obstruction that could range from a piece of grass to a cancerous tumor.

Allergies

Just like humans, sometimes dogs sneeze because of pollen from seasonal pet allergies.

Breed

Brachycephalic breeds have more difficulty breathing because of the shape of their muzzle and throat.

Excellent sense of Smell

Dogs are extremely sensitive to their environment. They're able to leverage their sense of smell to find a hidden treat, hunt creatures and scent out unfamiliar dogs on their territory.

Reverse Sneezes

Reverse sneezes, which are sudden and repeated inhalations through the nose, are reactions to inflammation, irritants, or excitement.

When a Dog Sneeze Mean something Serious

If your dog is frequently sneezing, experiencing nasal discharges, or appears to be in pain while sneezing, they need to be seen by a veterinarian. Keep an eye out for any unusual behaviors paired with frequent sneezes, like bleeding or frequent pawing at their nose.

Frequent sneezes could mean that there is something obstructing the nasal passage that needs to be examined by a vet. **Hunting dogs** are at a higher risk for getting unusual items stuck up their nose since they are always investigating the outdoors. It's a good idea to check their nose daily in case leaves, twigs, outdoor fragments are stuck inside.

Deep sneezes that come from the chest can be a sign of a medical condition, like a cold. In rarer cases, nasal infections or nasal mites may be to blame.

While sneezing is usually normal, you shouldn't hesitate to consult your vet if you think something is wrong.



It's a Fact:

Dogs have three eyelids!

They have an upper one, a lower one and an extra one inside the other two.

If that's not weird enough, the third eyelid is called a "haw."

UPCOMING HUNT TEST

Colorado River Retriever Club

February 20 & 21, 2021

Dickenson, Texas

Opens to Club Members January

Opens to Public January

I will send out an email

Central Louisiana HRC

February 27 & 28, 2021

Moreauville, Louisiana

Opens to Public February 4, 2021

Southeast Texas Hunting Retriever Club

March 20 & 21, 2021

Anahuac, Texas

Opens to Public February 7, 2021 9:00 AM CT

The *Officers* and *Members* of Colorado River Retriever Club would like to recognize the following club members who give their time to judge.

Thank you all for the weekends you give to make each and every hunt test a success.

The support is greatly appreciated!

Colorado River Retriever Club

Don Koster, Jason Luker, Mike Nutter, Carrie Shaw

Southeast Texas Retriever Club

Rebecca Bass, David Brannon, Bob Brundrett, Robert Hines

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