

The Retriever Review

The Newsletter of Colorado River Retriever Club

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello all, hope everyone is doing well.

Summer is right around the corner and we Texans know what that means... (HOT-HOT-HOT)

Let's all be careful running in these summer months and really watch all our dogs. We know the drill (early morning or late afternoon) with plenty of water.

I would like to thank the crew that gave up some Easter weekend time to help with the trailer clean-up. Both trailers look great and will be ready for our next event. Next on the trailer agenda will be new tires and probably a good wash job.

Colorado River Retriever Club was well represented this spring at the 2021 International Spring Grand in Grenada Mississippi.

Congrats to all the handlers that received passes and also the handlers that carried the CRRC colors. Please let us know if we left anyone off of the list below...

Hope to see everyone soon

Sam Roll



Quote: "No matter how little money and how few possessions you own, having a dog makes you rich."

----- Louis Sabin



The Club's Best News

MAY MEETING

The next CRRC meeting will be
Wednesday, **May 12, 2021**
7:00 pm

Las Flores Restaurant

306 E House Street
Alvin, Texas 77511



APRIL MEETING

Minutes

CRRC's *April* meeting was held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021. Sam Roll, *President* called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Member's Present: Sam & Karen Roll, Maria & Steve Jefferies, Randy Crable, Pat Cumiskey, Stephen & Sam Gandy, John & Dana Laviolette, Bob Hanson, Rex & Donna Westbrook, David Applegate, Owen Best, Don Koster, Kyle Wilson and Matt Naylor.

Welcome: Sam Roll welcomed all.

Sam Roll asked that a motion be made to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2021 meeting. Don Koster made a motion to approve and a second was made by Patrick Cumiskey, all were in favor and the minutes were accepted.

Officers Report:

President: Sam Roll thanked everyone who came out and helped clean the club trailers, they are ready for the October hunt test. Sam informed club members that this year's insurance and bond have been renewed. He also reminded us that 2021 is a Judge Test year, all current judges must complete the new test by April 30 in order to avoid a lapse in their judge's license.

Vice President:

Secretary: Maria is in the process of updating the membership list for 2021. If you would like to renew or join CRRC, please send me your information.

Treasure: Sam Roll reported a balance of 14,384.80 in the bank.

Historian:

Region 11: We are currently waiting on Jason Luker to provide us with the date and location of the Judge's Seminar for Region 11. We will pass this information along as soon as we get the updates. All members are invited and welcomed to attend.

Running Rules Rep:

Old Business:

Running Rules: The 2021 edition of the HRC rulebook was sent out to members with their December issue of the Hunting Retriever Magazine. Sam Roll handed out a summary of the changes which can also be found on the HRC website.

New Business:

CRRC's Fall Hunt Test: CRRC's Fall Hunt will be on October 23 & 24, 2021, in Jones Creek at the Justin Hurst WMA. Sam Roll, hunt chairman, reported that this test will be a 1-2-2 test and will include a tailgate dinner and a raffle.

Hunt Test Volunteers: We always need and welcome volunteers for our Spring and Fall Hunt Test. We understand that if you have never volunteered before, it can be scary. We have many experienced club members that are willing to help get you started. Because we have so many new members, Sam introduced and discussed the handouts, on the duties of a **site marshal**. We appreciate everyone that volunteer their time.

CRRC Banner: The CRRC banner needs to be replaced, Kyle Wilson has volunteered to work on a banner design for us. Maria Jefferies will send Kyle the measurements and other details needed.

Save The Date!

October 23 & 24, 2021

**Colorado River Retriever Club
Fall Hunt Test**

**Justin Hurst WMA
Jones Creek, Texas**



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Website**

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National Meeting: The 2021 Board of Directors Meeting will be held on June 12, 2021 in St Louis, Missouri. The meeting is open to all HRC members in good standing. Don Koster made a motion to send Sam Roll, *President* and pay for him to attend National Meeting. A second was made by Steve Jefferies, all were in favor and motion passed.

Committee Report:

CRRC March 13 & 14 2021 Hunt Test: Randy Crable, hunt chairman updated us on the CRRC's Spring Hunt Test in Texas City. We ran about 220 dogs for the weekend and all went well. The marshals, bird boys and all volunteers did an excellent job. All test, including the site at Jack Brooks Park were good to go. We took in about \$14,009 for the weekend. After all expenses were paid our profit was about 3,273.85. He thanked everyone that helped make this test possible. We must remember to support the club and keep it fun.

Training Topic: Don Koster discussed and illustrated to club members about "*extended hunts on a mark*" ... X marks the area of the fall and your dog should go to the area of the fall. The area of the fall depends on the terrain, cover, etc. Don illustrated several scenarios on this subject. If you don't understand or have any questions on this or any other training issues, please don't hesitate to ask. We have many judges that are members of CRRC.

A motion was made by Patrick Cumiskey and a second by Rex Westbrook to adjourn the meeting, all were in favor.

Door Prize: Owen Best was the winner of the Tumbler with the CRRC Logo and the Camouflage Gaiter with the CRRC Logo. *Congratulations Owen!*

**Hunting Retriever Club International Grand
Spring 2021 April 24-29
Grenada, Mississippi**

Coby Frankum HRCH Flying V's Bailey's Rio Pecos "Rio" - 2nd series
HRCH Ronnie's Princess "Princess" - **Ronnie Rogers**, owner - Grand Pass

Justin Hooter HRCH Hooters Lil Dot "Dotty" - Grand Title

Carrie Shaw HRCH UH No Limit's Out of the Blue "Blue" - Grand Title David Robertson, handler

Nick Stillwell HRCH RNG Southern Bella "Bella" - Grand Pass
4xGMPR HRCH Murray's Ghadar Loirg Aiden "Aida" - Grand Pass
HRCH RNG Texan Rebel "Rebel" - 2nd series

Mark Strickland GRHRCH (3) HC'S Little Junior Field Warrior "Griffey"
GRHRCH Elliott's Bourbon Whiskey "Whiskey"
HRCH Cash's Little Lady Junebug "June"
HRCH Marsh Dog's Double Shot of Whiskey "Gator" - 4th series
HRCH Tumicks Hornpipe Branna "Branna" - 3rd series
HRCH Lugo's I'd Rather be a Benelli "Remington" - **Jennifer Lugo**, owner - 3rd series
HRCH Lugo's Sweet and sassy Magpie "Maggie" 3rd series
HRCH Marsh Dog's Mad Max "Max" - 2nd series
HRCH Fergusson's Favorite Hemi "Hemi" **Denise Ferguson**, owner - 2nd series
HRCH Marsh Dogs Tank "Tank" Denise **Ferguson**, owner - 2nd series



Message from the Secretary

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.

Pawing 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.

Welcome new Members

I’d like to introduce you to the newest
Members of Colorado River Retriever Club

- ❀ **Stephen & Samantha Gandy**, from Friendswood, Texas. They are the owner of Gandy’s Cajun Char “Char” a black, male Labrador.
- ❀ **Ashley Anderson**, from Georgetown, Texas. She is the owner of Skip A Roo “Roo”, a yellow, female Labrador.

April Doggie Birthdays

Roosters Peanut Murphy's Paw

"Murphy" 4-21-2019

Owned by David Applegate

Dave's Tank Commander

"Tank" 4-3-2018

Owned by Dave Brannon

Burges's Mamas Makin Gumbo

"Annie" 4-29-2012

Owned by Ken & Michele Burge

Bigbaydogs Temperance Til Dawn

"Bones" 4-11-2017

Owned by Patrick & Tammy Cumiskey

Bigbaydogs Crossfire Betty's Badassitude

"Beans" 4-10-2018

Owned by Patrick & Tammy Cumiskey

ClubMeads Magic Macy

"Macy" 4-17-2019

Owned by David & Joe DalMolin

Flying V's Bailey's Rio Pecos

"Rio" 4-21-2019

Owned by Coby Frankum

Flying V's Texas Hurricane

"Cane" 4-21-2019

Owned by Steve & Maria Jefferies

Twin Rivers Peanut's Sweet Chili

"Pepper" 4-10-2015

Owned by Michael & Lisa Nutter

Power Circle's Ms. Honey Biscuit

"Biscuit" 4-8-2018

Owned by William "Bubba" Ray

Roll's Big Joey

"Joey" 4-18-2012

Owned by Sam & Karen Roll

No Limits Out of the Blue

"Blue"

Owned by Carrie Shaw

Westbrooks South TX Tornado

"Augie" 4-25-2019

Owned by Rex & Donna Westbrook

Happy Birthday!



Dog Topic

Is Cookout Food Hazardous to Dogs?

With warmer weather comes the chance to fire up the grill and enjoy a cookout. Dog owners may be tempted to let their dog have a taste of the delicious grilled foods. However, many cookout foods are not safe for dogs to eat. Here are a few tips on foods to watch out for.

Bones

What's better than a nice juicy grilled steak or barbecued ribs or chicken wings? Sharing these with your dog is a dangerous idea. Dr. Jerry Klein, AKC chief veterinary officer, warns that you should never give your dog cooked *bones* of any kind. They splinter into shards that can cause choking and serious damage to the dog's mouth, throat or intestines.

Raw Meat

Raw steak or hamburger patties can contain bacteria, such as salmonella and E coli that can be harmful to dogs, as well as people. Keep a careful eye on the meat as you prepare the grill because the aroma will definitely get your dog's attention, and he may try to sneak a tasty morsel.

Hot Dogs

Hot dogs often contain ingredients that are not good for dogs, such as sodium nitrate, which has been linked to cancer: monosodium glutamate (MSG) and sugars or artificial sweeteners. Hot dogs also contain seasonings, such as garlic and onion powder that are toxic to dogs. The biggest problem with hot dogs is salt. Feeding your dog even one half of a hot dog would probably put him way over his daily sodium limit and too much sodium can lead to *dehydration* and high blood pressure. Another issue with hot dogs is they are a choking hazard.

Toppings

Garlic and onions can cause stomach upset in dogs, and sometimes have even more serious side effects. Raw or cooked, fried or powdered, *onions*, and the rest of the allium family (garlic, shallots, leeks and chives) are all harmful to dogs. Onions contain a toxic compound that causes a breakdown of red blood cells, leading to anemia in dogs.

Ketchup, while not toxic for dogs, is best left off of the foods you share with your canine pal. In addition to tomatoes, commercial ketchup typically contains garlic and onions, cinnamon, sugar and salt, preservatives and chemicals, and many of these ingredients can have detrimental effects on dogs,. Mustard can upset a dog's stomach and cause vomiting.

Corn on the Cob

Corn on the cob is a summertime staple, and although a small amount of corn won't hurt, you should not share your corn on the cob with your dog. There is a risk that he will choke on it, and if he ingest the cob, it can cause a serious intestinal blockage. So, unfortunately, it is not a food you should allow your dog to gnaw on.

Salty Snacks

Potato chips, pretzels, peanuts and popcorn all make nice portable snacks when you eat outside. But too much salt can lead to sodium ion poisoning in dogs, causing vomiting, diarrhea, tremors, and seizures and can even be fatal.

Watermelon

Watermelon is safe for dogs in moderation with these precautions. Seeds could cause an intestinal blockage, so make sure to remove them. It's also not a good idea to allow a dog to chew on the rind, because it can cause gastrointestinal upset.

Ice Cream

Although it's refreshing, *ice cream* is a milk based product and dogs' bodies are not designed to digest milk after they are weaned as puppies. Since ice cream is made with milk, feeding your dog ice cream could lead to gas, bloating, constipation, diarrhea or vomiting.

Alcohol

An ice cold beer, a mojito or margarita may sound refreshing, but don't let your pup dip into any alcoholic beverages. Alcohol toxicity is not very common, because dogs are not innately drawn to alcoholic beverages. However, they may be attracted to fruit based drinks, cocktails, punches, ciders, seltzers and foods with alcohol as a key ingredient. Another serious consideration is diet alcoholic beverages or other mixers that may contain Xylitol, an artificial sweetener, which is highly dangerous and even fatal, if consumed by a dog.

Leftovers

Most dogs will be attracted to the grill, especially when you cook meat. Don't let them lick up the fat that drips from the meat because it is rich in oils that can cause pancreatitis. Symptoms include vomiting, diarrhea, intense abdominal pain, hunched back, weakness and fever, and pancreatitis is life threatening if untreated.

If you have a charcoal grill, be aware that although charcoal isn't poisonous, it may upset your dog's stomach if he eats it. It commonly causes vomiting, diarrhea and loss of appetite. Large pieces could also lead to obstruction and choking.

What Should I do if my Dog Eats Something Toxic?

If you think your pet has gotten into something potentially toxic, call your veterinarian right away.





UPCOMING HUNT TEST

May

Lonesome Dove HRC Spring Hunt

May 15 & 16, 2021

Graham, Texas

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.

May

Lonesome Dove HRC

May 15 & 16, 2021

Janet Kimbrough



it'S a Fact:

While Labradors are known for being great gun dogs, they were originally bred to help fishermen. Their waterproof coats and strong swimming skills made them perfect for the job.

Fishermen trained their Labs to pull in heave nets and retrieve escaped fish.

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