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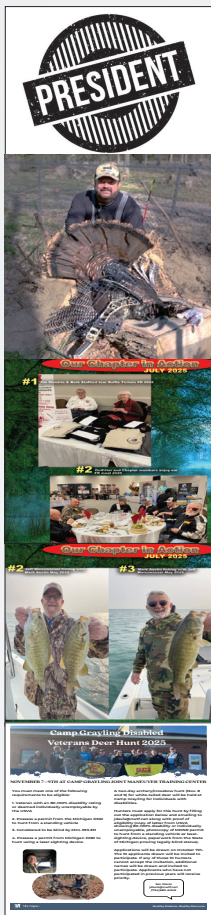
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President's Report



Robert Delaurier *President*

Hello to all of you chapter members, I hope the hot summer is treating you well. In an effort to save valuable resources (money) and Board members time we recently brought the BOD meetings up to date by incorporating Zoom call for our board meetings. It entails setting in front of our computers or cell phones and conducting our Board meetings. We call a special meeting code and it hooks us all up via our cell phone and computers screens to each member on the Zoom call. Our first one was in June and was a little strange when we started but, by the time we were almost done it felt mostly normal. It saves us from reserving rooms, dinner fees and travel time, which is much appreciated due to the mess our roads are in due to all the construction we are experiencing this year! Our board members kept thanking me for making the board meetings so much easier! It works for me too!

We almost have our fundraiser numbers finished Kevin turned over all of his fundraiser duties to Kurt and since it was his first time doing it Kurt spent a lot of time bumping numbers with Kevin and we are close to finishing now. I want to personally thank both Kurt Bernas and Kevin Mulkeran for all of their hard work putting the final numbers together, it's not like a check book, (like some used to say) it's a lot more like high corporate finance!

Your Chapter President.
Rob Delaurier

Two Bearded Turkey



with a Bow

Kevin Mulkeran

OMG it's been an awesome turkey season. I didn't want to say anything before just in case I didn't get him but, I've been seeing this monster double bearded turkey since the opening of turkey season. I could never get him close enough. I saw him every day and on the 4th time out the result was: I actually, watched him breed two hens in a nearby field for almost a half hour. I used two hen decoys, and two different calls to bring him into range. I put one decoy 2 feet from the blind and the other decoy at 15 yards for an easy shot.

He went for the decoy at 15 yards and I was blessed with a head shot which meant no tracking or chasing! The long beard was 10 inches and the

second one was a tad shorter. The spurs were 1.25 and 1.5 and he weighed a very respectable 30 pounds, a great Tom! The only issue I had was that while I was calling him, I gave the other Tom's and Jakes watching a calling education about us bowhunters. On a side note, the turkey picture was taken on the stump I cut to use as a base for the full standing mount that I took of the bear I shot in 2024. As usual, I used my new Mathew's bow to finish my hunt.

Happy hunting to all of you who took advantage of turkey season this year and haven't scored yet. Now I can focus on my motorcycle circuits at least till deer season comes in October. Life is so easy, when you score early in the season, lol.

Our Chapter in Action

JULY 2025

#1



Jim Wandrie & Barb Stafford tear Raffle Tickets FR 2025

#2

Outfitter and Chapter members enjoy our FR meal 2025



Our Chapter in Action

JULY 2025

#2

Jeff Weisswasser fishing with
Mark Austin May 2025



#3

Mark Austin fishing with Jeff
Weisswasser May 2025



Training My Dog

By Gregg Wujcik

The previous two days were sunny and 80 degrees but Saturday, May 17th was in the mid 50's for a high with wind gusts up to 20 mph. And I was very happy about that! Why? Because Jack, my 15-month-old Pudelpointer was going to be evaluated for his Natural Ability (NA) test through the Michigan Chapter of North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association (NAVHDA) in Marcellus, Michigan.

Most hunting dogs don't so as well in hot weather and Pudelpointers specifically enjoy cooler whether so the day was starting out on a good note.

There are four tests in the NAVHDA testing system with the Natural Ability test being the first in the series. Dogs are eligible until and including the day they reach 16 months of age. No game is shot during the NA test and no retrieves are required. There is no set sequence for conducting the four general phases. These four phases include the Field Phase where dogs are hunted for at least 20 minutes and evaluated on the use of their nose, searching, pointing, the desire to work, and gun shyness. The next phase is focused on Tracking and the use of their nose in tracking wounded game, the desire to work and cooperation with the handler. The Water Phase component includes water entry, the desire to work and cooperation. Each dog must demonstrate a willingness to enter the water and the ability to swim comfortably but no retrieving is necessary. The last phase is an evaluation of the Physical Attributes. The dog's teeth, eyes and coat are evaluated. This part is an evaluation and documentation but not actually judged.

So, this is what we had ahead of us on this cool Saturday morning.

The first part of the test consisted of Field work. Jack was brought to the testing field and let go to hunt. The four judges and I followed him as he worked

looking for the planted birds in the field. He was judged on how he hunted, worked with his nose and cooperated with me in a simulated hunting situation. He was also judged on his pointing but wasn't actually judged on finding or not finding the birds. During this test, another volunteer near the area fired two shots from a shotgun to test him on gun shyness. Jack was unphased by the gunfire and passed his field work with flying colors.

After the Field work, the next test consisted of the Tracking phase. To start this test, a volunteer pulled the primary feathers from one wing of a hen pheasant and then dragged the bird on the ground from the test starting point through some grass for about 50 yards and let the bird sit there. Jack and I were not able to see this part. When the bird placement was finish, Jack was called to the starting point and was shown the small pile of pulled feathers on the ground. From that point, the judges and I watched as Jack, nose to the ground, tracked the wounded pheasant and retrieved him to my hand. The retrieval of the bird is not necessary for this test but it was a nice finish. Jack was judged on how well he followed the track, the use of his nose and his desire to work.

The final phase of the NA testing was the Water phase. I lead Jack to the edge of a small pond where the judges were waiting. There was a dozen or so bumpers on the ground for use in the test. I tossed the first bumper into the water far enough that Jack would have to actually swim to retrieve the bumper. Again, no retrieve is needed to pass this part of the test but it's used as an incentive to get the dog to enter the water. The dog must actually swim for this to count so the water has to be deep enough that the dog's feet cannot touch the bottom. Once I tossed the first bumper into the water, I sent Jack after it. He didn't hesitate and ran to the water and

jumped in. Apparently, he was not prepared for how deep the water actually was and went completely under like a submarine! Once he popped back up he looked a little disorientated and took a few moments to regroup but then swam towards the bumper. He did not bring the bumper back but he was swimming so that attempt counted. I through two more bumpers out to entice him back to the water but he wasn't ready. The fourth bumper I tossed encouraged him to try again and this time he was a bit more cautious entering the water but he swam out there and did retrieve this final bumper bringing it back to shore. At the conclusion of the Water phase, the judges performed a visual evaluation of this eyes, teeth and coat and Jack was found to be in conformation with what is expected of a healthy dog.

After each dog had been tested in all phase of the Natural Ability test, all handlers, volunteers and judges returned to the club house of the testing facilities. The scores for each of the dogs were read off by the judges in the order that the dogs were tested. At this point I was a bit nervous waiting for Jack's score. But I did not need to be worried, Jack earned a Score of 112, Prize 1. What this means is that Jack's score was perfect, the highest obtainable score for the NAVHDA Natural Ability test. I was surprised, excited and very proud of Jack for this accomplishment. I don't know yet if we'll go on with more training for the next level of NAVHDA testing or not but we both learned a lot from that experience and met some amazing people, other handlers, volunteers, and judges.

If you have a young hunting dog and are interested in or have been thinking about joining NAVHDA, do not hesitate to reach out to your local chapter. The people of the Michigan Chapter went above and beyond to make our experience both educational and fun!

Camp Grayling Disabled Veterans Deer Hunt 2025



NOVEMBER 7–9TH AT CAMP GRAYLING JOINT MANEUVER TRAINING CENTER

You must meet one of the following requirements to be eligible:

1. Veteran with an 80-100% disability rating or deemed individually unemployable by the USVA
2. Possess a permit from the Michigan DNR to hunt from a standing vehicle
3. Considered to be blind by MCL 393.351
4. Possess a permit from Michigan DNR to hunt using a laser sighting device.

A two-day archery/crossbow hunt (Nov. 8 and 9) for white-tailed deer will be held at Camp Grayling for individuals with disabilities.

Hunters must apply for this hunt by filling out the application below and emailing to jdavis@nwtf.net along with proof of eligibility (copy of letter from USVA showing 80-100% disability or individually unemployable, photocopy of MDNR permit to hunt from a standing vehicle **or** laser-sighting device, paperwork from the State of Michigan proving legally blind status).

Applications will be drawn on October 7th. The 10 applicants drawn will be invited to participate. If any of those 10 hunters cannot accept the invitation, additional names will be drawn and invited to participate. Applicants who have not participated in previous years will receive priority.



Jen Davis
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(734)680-6049

Camp Grayling Disabled Veterans Deer Hunt 2025



Name: _____ Age: _____

Day Time Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Describe your Disability: _____

Wheelchair user? ☐ Yes ☐ No

In which branch of the Armed Forces did you serve? _____

How many years of service do you have? _____

Have you attended this event in previous years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you bringing your own Bow or Crossbow? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you are bringing your own Bow or Crossbow:

- Do you currently possess/plan to bring Lumenoks on your bolts or arrows? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If no, please include the manufacturer and model of bolts or arrows you plan to bring:

Anything else we should know: _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS OCT. 1

In submitting this application to hunt deer on Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center (CGJMTTC), I state that I am familiar with and will abide by all applicable Federal and State Game Laws. I will abide by all regulations and restrictions that may be imposed on my actions and movements while at CGJMTTC. I am familiar with and will follow all hunter safety rules. I will respect the rights and property of others. I will use good common sense at all times, especially in circumstances not covered by other instructions. I will conduct myself at all times as a true sportsman. I agree without exception or reservation to be solely and personally responsible for any injuries to myself or others with me and for all damage which may occur to my property and for any injury or damage to anyone else's person or property which may be caused by me. I absolve the Government, the US Army, the State of Michigan, and Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center of any liability or responsibility in connection with the exercise of any hunting privileges which may be extended to me. The Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs provides equal opportunities for employment and access to Michigan's natural resources and prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status under the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, as amended.

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SEPTEMBER 13TH - 14TH
Liberty Hunt youth/Vet hunt.

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SEPTEMBER 15TH
Small Game season opens.

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OCTOBER 01ST
Bow season opens.

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OCTOBER 16TH-19TH
Independence Hunt youth/Vet hunt.

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NOVEMBER 15TH
Firearm season open.

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FEBRUARY 14TH
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