



FOOTHILLS CHAPTER-NAVHDA NAVHDA AIMS & RULES CLINIC 2021



Where: Quail Haven Hunting Preserve – Harmony, North Carolina
When: Saturday, June 12 and Sunday, June 13, 2021
Leader: Mark Fraley, Buckeye Chapter - Senior NAVHDA Judge
Cost: \$100 for Foothills Chapter members | \$120 for non-members ***NOTE: Limited to 20 Entries

WHAT IS A NAVHDA AIMS & RULES CLINIC?

The NAVHDA Aims & Rules clinic (previously known as a Handler's Clinic) is a tool developed by NAVHDA to educate aspiring judges, handlers and other NAVHDA members. The intensive two-day weekend training session is conducted by an official NAVHDA Aims & Rules Clinic Leader. During a clinic, participants are familiarized with the NAVHDA system and philosophy of judging versatile hunting dogs by learning how to use judge work cards and scoring Natural Ability, Utility Preparatory, and Utility dogs. The Aims & Rules Clinic is one of the requirements for becoming an "Approved Apprentices" in the NAVHDA Judge Development program.

A clinic provides everyone involved with an opportunity to learn about versatile hunting dogs. Members with their first pup see other dogs work and gain insight into what their new pup is doing and why. A breeder acquires knowledge about what characteristics to look for in breeding stock and progeny. A handler benefits by learning how NAVHDA evaluates versatile hunting dogs. Even an experienced handler will learn something new during any clinic due to the diversity of the group and the depth of discussion.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- People with their first pup to see how other dogs work, and gain insight into what their pup is doing and why. This helps them to develop their pup's talents and improve performance in weak areas.
- Novice handlers learn how NAVHDA evaluates versatile dogs, and are better prepared to handle their dogs in a test.
- Experienced handlers gain a deeper, more technical knowledge of how the team of dog and handler are judged.
- Breeders learn what to look for in their breeding stock and their progeny, and how to use NAVHDA records obtained through our Search Test Records for selective breeding.
- For aspiring NAVHDA Judges, attending an Aims & Rules Clinic is a first step in the Apprentice Judge Program
- Prepare by reading NAVHDA Aims, Programs and Tests rule book.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Bring all-weather gear, an article of blaze orange clothing and appropriate field boots/shoes.
- Due to COVID, participants will need to bring their own lunch and chair.
- Youth (ages 10-18) Handlers can apply for the Kristin Rieser Scholarship Fund to cover their entry fee.
- NOTE: Clinic is for handlers only – NO DOGS

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