

MICHIGAN FLYWAYS RETRIEVER CLUB

2024 Application for Retriever Training Membership at Jorgensen Farms

Note: Must be paid by 3/31/24.

\$175.00 with working requirement complete - \$ 450.00 without

Late fee of \$50 will be applied if received after 3/31/24.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Primary Vehicle (make & model): _____

License plate State/Number: _____

Secondary Vehicle (make & model): _____

License plate State/Number: _____

Training Membership: Please make check payable to 'Michigan Flyways Retriever Club'

I am/We are Michigan Flyways Retriever Club member(s) training my dog(s) or dog(s) owned by direct family members.

I have read and, by my signature below, agree to abide by all rules and guidelines in order to train dogs on this property.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

2024 Training Membership Number: _____ (for Membership Secretary use)

PLEASE MAIL SIGNED FORM AND CHECK or MONEY ORDER (Payable to: Michigan Flyways Retriever Club) TO:

Kim Bridgewater – Membership
2133 Sandhill Farm Lane
Lapeer, MI 48446

Phone: (989) 284-2924 Email: bridgewaterkim@live.com

Michigan Flyways Retriever Club Membership For Retriever Training at Jorgensen Farms

April 1 – September 30, 2024 Training Season

MFWRRC is offering to its club members the opportunity for retriever training on the beautiful grounds at Jorgensen Farms. In past years, MFWRRC paid a land-use fee from its treasury for training along with monies collected from hunt tests, trials and seminars to Jorgensen Farms. **For 2024:** All proceeds from training memberships, land use fees and 'per dog access' for tests, trials and seminars will be delivered directly to Jorgensen Farms in order to boost revenue and cover costs. This agreement is on a year-by-year basis and will be at the pleasure of the property owner.

TRAINING MEMBERSHIP COSTS

For 2024, the reduced-rate training membership will be \$175 individual/family (payable to MFWRRC) is available only to current MFWRRC Regular/Household members, if the member worked in a qualifying job in 2022. Members must be in good standing with renewed current year club dues paid in full by March 1, 2024. **For 2024: Training Membership dues are due no later than March 31, 2024. A \$50 late fee will be assessed if received after March 31.**

New club members in 2024 will be charged \$450 (payable to MFWRRC) for a training membership for the season. This cost will be reduced to the current member rate for 2024 if the new member works in a qualifying job (described below) at either a hunt test or other club function during 2024. The cost for current MFWRRC members will be increased to \$450 for the 2024 training season if the member does not work in a qualifying job at either a hunt test or other club function during 2024. **Training membership fees are for the season and will not be pro-rated.**

QUALIFYING JOBS

Michigan Flyways Retriever Club will be hosting four hunt tests in 2024. Three hunt tests will have one 60-dog Master stake, two Senior and two Junior stakes (Sat. & Sun.) and the fourth will be a Midweek Master only test. As a Michigan Flyways member, working is a requirement. The MFWRRC Board of Directors strongly encourages all members to take on a job at a test or other responsibility in 2024. Training to do the jobs will be provided! Working the equivalent of **2 full days (8-10 hours)** at one or more hunt tests will qualify a member for the reduced training membership at Jorgensen Farms for the following year. If you are not on the official worker sheet, it is your responsibility to notify the Marshal at your stake if you are working. The Hunt Test Chairman and Marshals will work with you so you can also run your dog if you work at a test.

Hunt Test Jobs:

- Hunt Test Chairman/Co-Chairman
- Hunt Test Secretary
- Stake Coordinator
- Bird Steward/Assistant
- Worker/Judge Lunches
- Raffle coordinator/Assistant
- Marshal
- Shooter/Gun station/winger
- Judge
- Beverages & ice for workers/judges
- Tail-gate dinner coordinator
- Gun Captain
- Hall Cleanup Crew
- Blind planter (Master or Senior)
- Hunt Test Workers List
- Equipment Manager

Other Club Jobs:

- Officer or Board Member (must be elected)

- Grounds Chairman
- Equipment & Gun Manager
- Club Training Day Coordinator
- Club awards / Memorials at Annual meeting
- Logo wear/club merchandise Manager
- Website/Facebook page Manager
- Event organizer

Please contact Alison Weber (734-255-1451 or email at gotalab425@gmail.com) or Heidi Wszolek (248-755-2688) or email at hwszolek@comcast.com to volunteer.

Ground Rules for Retriever Training at Jorgensen Farms (2024)

MFWRRC members who are renewing their training membership can do so by mailing their application, signed waiver and check to Kimberlee Bridgewater, 2133 Sandhill Farm Ln., Lapeer, MI 48446. Remember, all training membership dues are due by March 31, 2024. A \$50 late fee will be assessed if received after March 31st.

All current MFWRRC members who have never had a training membership at Jorgensen Farms must attend an orientation meeting before using the grounds. [Kim Bridgewater will schedule this meeting based on the number of new members.](#)

A training membership application, liability waiver/hold harmless agreement and these rules will be emailed in advance to all MFWRRC members and will also be available at the orientation meeting. These documents are also available on the MFWRRC website www.miflyways.com .

Checks are to be made payable to Michigan Flyways Retrievers Club. Donations will also be accepted to provide for the porta-potty located on Bell Oak Rd. and weekly service for the training season.

If you have other questions or concerns, please contact Kim Bridgewater at 989-284-2924 (text only during daytime hours) or email bridgewaterkim@live.com .

1. Jorgensen Farms is private property and a working farm. Abuse of the property, abuse of dogs and/or disrespect towards other members will not be tolerated.
2. Dog training, events and seminars will be limited to the training season of **April 1 – September 30**. The property is off limits outside of this time period.
3. Check Michigan Flyways Facebook page for any announcements prior to arriving on the property. Grounds activity such as crop cutting or September goose hunting will be announced here.
4. Please sign-in using the logbook located in mailbox next to porta-potty when you arrive on the property. Sign out when you leave **or change areas** so others will know if an area is available.

Groups of two or more people are limited to 2 adjacent areas at one time

5. **GUEST POLICIES** - Jorgensen Training Members will receive **TWO guest passes** along with their vehicle sticker and membership card. The guest pass may be used on a one-time basis anytime during the training season. **The member must be present with the guest while on the property.** **A Michigan Flyways Member (without training membership) will be allowed to**

use 1 guest passes anytime during the training season.

The week before all hunt tests and the week in between the August Michigan Flyways and Marshbanks tests; **out of town non Michigan Flyways Members** can train an unlimited number of times Monday – Thursday from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm for \$20./day **with a Jorgensen’s Training Member.**

Each guest must pay \$20 per day and sign the individual release waiver (along with the member) and send to Chris Schram in the envelopes provided in the mailbox.

6. Training members will be allowed access to all training areas, 7 days/week, sunrise to sundown, with the following exceptions:
 - a. **Professional trainers are limited to 6 dogs per day, 3 days a week.**
 - b. No camping allowed on grounds
 - c. No training on hunt test weekends (**Friday – Sunday**) (May 17 - 19, July 19 - 21, August 16 - 18, August 23 - 25, 2024 (Marshbanks hunt test)) (**Monday-Wednesday**) July 15-17 (some limited areas may be available)
 - d. Limited area training during the any seminars planned in 2024
7. Do Not Drive personal vehicles on planted fields. ATVs/UTVs may be used but must limit the amount of driving on planted areas to minimize damage.
8. Everyone must practice safety first if shooting live ammo. Steel shot must be used.
9. Please pick up any trash, cans or bottles and take it with you after training. Please do not put trash or poop bags in the porta-potty!
10. Notify the Grounds Committee Chairman of any potential hazards or of grounds improvement suggestions.
11. MFWRC has site priority on club training days on May 11th, June 15th or 16^h , July 13th or 14th and August 10th or 11th. The Marshbanks GRC has site priority on club training days TBD1 and TBD2.
12. MFWRC members must sign an individual release waiver required by MFWRC and Jorgensen Farms **PRIOR TO ANY TRAINING ON THE PROPERTY** and must abide by all requirements stated in these rules. Members will receive individual membership cards and vehicle stickers to be displayed on the back or inside rearview mirror or other visible location on the exterior of the member’s vehicle.
13. **Firearm Policy – Open Carry is not permitted on Jorgensens’s Farms Property.** Use of shotguns and live ammo for training and hunt test purposes is permitted on Jorgensens’s Farms Property.

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WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS

I understand that attendance at a dog training activity, class or event (“dog activities”) is not without risk to myself, members of my family or guests who may attend or my dog. I hereby waive my rights to any claim and release the Michigan Flyways Retriever Club, Inc. (“MFRC”) and its directors, instructors, members and agents, workers, participants, observers and the owner of any property at which any dog activities are conducted from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I or my dog may suffer, including specifically, but not limited to, any injury or damages resulting from the action of any dog, and I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending any dog activities of MFRC wherever the dog activities are taking place. In consideration of and as an inducement towards the allowing attendance at any dog activities of MFRC wherever the activity is taking place, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the MFRC, its directors, instructors, members and agents, workers, participants, observers and the owner of any property at which any dog activities are conducted from any and all claims or claims by me, any member of my family or any other person accompanying me to any training session wherever they may be located arising out of any action by any dog, including my own, including but not limited to the responsibility for all damages, expenses and legal fees. I further indemnify and agree to hold harmless MFRC, its directors, instructors, members and/or agents, workers, participants, observers and the owner of any property at which any dog activities are conducted from any and all claims, or claims by any third party regarding dog activities wherever they may be located arising out of any action by any dog, including my own, including, but not limited to the responsibility for all damages, expenses and legal fees.

I (we) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO DOG ACTIVITIES AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION.

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I have read and, by my signature below, agree to abide by the aforementioned Waiver, Assumption of Risk and Agreement to Hold Harmless, and the Guidelines and Bylaws of Michigan Flyways Retriever Club, Inc.

Signed: _____

Print Name _____ (Parent/Guardian must sign if handler is under age 18.)

Date: _____