



# North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association

## Zia Chapter

Dear Members,

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The ZIA Chapter of NAVHDA will sponsor a Handler's Clinic over the weekend of August 6 & 7, 2016. This two-day event is designed to educate handlers, aspiring judges, and other dog enthusiasts about versatile hunting dogs and how NAVHDA evaluates them. During the clinic participants will be familiarized with the NAVHDA system and philosophy of judging by learning how Natural Ability, Utility Preparatory, and Utility dogs are scored. The handler clinic is also a requirement for those interested in becoming an apprentice judge. It further gives members insight into characteristics to look for in breeding stock and progeny. This training session will be conducted by Dr. Bob Hauser, a senior judge, and assisted by Mark Krueger from our chapter.

The cost for the event is \$100 for chapter members and non-members. Chapter members will be given the first opportunity to get registered, and then it will be opened up for other chapter members to register. The clinic will be held at The Boys Ranch at Bernardo, NM at 0800 a.m. Sat the 6th with a couple of hours of classroom instruction on NA dogs. Breakfast is on your own; lunches will be provided. The group will then head to the field and/or ponds for actual judgement and discussions about the performance of actual dogs in training. We will finish up the Clinic Sunday (start time to be determined) with more classroom discussion in the morning and field work again to follow with judging and discussions.

If you wish to attend please fill out the registration below ASAP and mail to Roger Comstock, our Clinic Chairperson, as soon as possible. It is recommended to also call Roger at 505-238-2295 (leave a message if necessary) to let him know that the check and form are in the mail so he can add you to the list. A copy of the NAVHDA AIMS (test rules) will be handed out at the next Chapter meeting to those registering, and it is very important to study the book before the clinic. There is a lot of information to be covered and learned, and there isn't enough classroom time to cover it all. If you already have a copy you can let Roger know. It is available online as well at the National website, I believe. Lastly, if you are willing to handle a dog or help out with the clinic please contact Roger directly. We will need two NA and two UT in-training dogs, two gunners (can also be registrants), a duck chucker and drag person, etc. NOTE> if you are willing to bring your dog for evaluation, you MUST be willing to accept judgement/criticism of your dog and/or handling.

Hope to see you there.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roger S. Comstock".

Roger Comstock  
President/Clinic Secretary

**ZIA Chapter  
Handlers Clinic**

**August 6 & 7, 2016**

**Boys Ranch**

**Bernardo, NM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee enclosed - \$100 :     ☐ Chapter Members             ☐ and Non-members

NOTE: The clinic will be held come rain or shine.

Max attendance of 20 participants. Registration cut-off will be August 1<sup>st</sup> (due to food and water provision).

AIMS – available for registrants; ☐ I already have an AIMS book ; ☐ I need an AIMS book

Willing to provide/handle dog:             ☐ NA             ☐ UT

Willing to help:    ☐ setup Fri pm    ☐ setup Sat am    ☐ plant birds Saturday/Sunday    ☐ gun Sunday

☐ help with any duckwork

Mail completed form and check to:

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