



# MERRIMACK VALLEY NAVHDA NEWS

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## WINTER 2017

Happy New Year everyone!

It may be white and quiet outside, but there’s lots going on in the chapter. We held the “Annual Meeting” at the New England Upland Sporting Club this year. We had a good turn-out—well over thirty members. I expect that as the word gets out about how much of a good time we had—and how much we accomplish, we will have even more participants in the future! There was much discussion about the many facets of being a NAVHDA Chapter. It was stimulating, well mannered, and informative.

In a few days, Bob Fee will be at the International Annual Meeting, representing our chapter. He will bring MV membership responses to the “motions forwarded” during the Hall of Delegates meeting. Thank you Bob. Safe travel!



Election for Vice-President was held at this year’s Annual meeting . MV has a newly elected Vice-President —Terry Long . Thank-you for running for this office and congratulations. On behalf of both the entire chapter and myself, I would like to thank Moische Ragieme for his time and efforts as past Vice-President. “THANK-YOU !” You are greatly appreciated! Our thanks also go out to Joanna Korte, Gus Gouzoules & Casey Mathews for continuing in their positions for another 3 years. The MV NAVHDA Chapter is such a great success due to the many wonderful volunteers that participate in one way or another.

I just heard more good news! We have located a place for indoor training clinics ! (See the notice below.)

See you all soon!! Carol T.

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### **MERRIMACK VALLEY CHAPTER INDOOR TRAINING CLINIC**

**Good News!! We found a facility to accommodate indoor training clinics!**

MV Chapter has scheduled two indoor clinics—one on February 4, 9-4 pm and another March 4, 9-4pm. (A flyer will soon be circulating.)

**LOCATION:** Halona Stables, 113b Mountain Road, Deerfield, NH

[www.HalonaStables.com](http://www.HalonaStables.com) (113b Mountain Road is off Route 43)

**DATES:** Feb 4th and March 4th (Both 9-4pm) **Event Cost:** \$10 /person

**RSVP & Questions to Dave Trahan (603/494/3802) BYO Lunch & Seating**



## Further Reflections.....

I was lucky to take every Friday off in October. I was even more lucky to spend my weekends hunting with some very dear friends from MV Navhda. I hunted with our younger dog, older dog, and friends' dogs. What a great month!! We had many laughs and a few tears as some of us missed a bird or two.

On my 60th birthday, I shot a beautiful grouse. I think I yelled "Yahoo!" on that one.

(This picture is captioned "Old Truck, Old Dog & Old Lady with a great Old Bird".)

Thanks to Joanna & John Korte, Casey Mathews, Tom, Kelly and the LaRoche family, Michele Gravely, Noah & Chris, Jerry Roy and all their wonderful pointing dogs for making some very cherished memories!

I'm already planning for next year!

Carol



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## Notice Regarding NH Wildlife Federation Donations by Terry Long

In the annual meeting, membership voted to donate \$500 to the Federation to help fund their lobbyist, Tim Collins. They also voted to add a section in the membership application to donate \$5.00 to the foundation when you fill out your form. The donation is voluntary.

It will appear on the application *somewhat* like the image below.

regular members; however, junior members have no voting privileges.		<a href="http://www.nhwf.org/">www.nhwf.org/</a>
<input type="radio"/> \$5 Voluntary donation to NH Wildlife Federation		
You may pay by credit card on our website (\$1 fee) but still must provide application to Membership Director	<a href="mailto:mvnavhda.membership@gmail.com">mvnavhda.membership@gmail.com</a>	

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE MERRIMACK VALLEY:

- **CONCORD, NH -- Hundreds of Ducks Banded in Pre-Season Effort:** Each year New Hampshire Fish and Game wildlife biologists attach hundreds of metal bands to ducks throughout the state in August and September as part of the pre-season banding effort conducted in US states and Canadian provinces throughout the Atlantic Flyway. This considerable effort provides survival rate data that is used in combination with breeding plot data, parts collection data, and HIP (National Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program) survey data as inputs for the model used to determine annual season regulations in the spring. <http://archive.mailermailer.com/view/215808614r-ebe4e998%2a1209500r-a26922ce>
- **Boston, Massachusetts:** 2017 MA Hunting and Fishing licenses are available. <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/licensing/license-types-and-fees.html> Massachusetts hunting regulations may be found at <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/dfw/hunting-fishing-wildlife-watching/hunting/>
- **Montpelier VT:** 2017 VT hunting and fishing licenses available on-line at <http://vtfishandwildlife.com/cms/One.aspx?portalId=73163&pageId=6463023>
- **Augusta ME:** 2017 ME hunting and fishing licenses available on-line at [https://moses.informe.org/cgi-bin/online/moses\\_v3/index](https://moses.informe.org/cgi-bin/online/moses_v3/index)
- **Concord NH:** 2017 NH hunting and fishing licenses available on-line at <https://www.nhfishandgame.com/>
- **Bryant Pond, ME:** Maine Fish and Wildlife Department is holding their “2017 Becoming an Outdoors Woman (BOW) Winter Skills Weekend” at the UMaine 4-h Camp and Learning Center, Feb 24-26.  
Those interested to find out more may follow this link: <https://extension.umaine.edu/bryantpond/adu>
- **CONCORD, NH --** Deceased gray foxes displaying symptoms of Canine Distemper have been reported recently in the Upper Connecticut River Valley and southern New Hampshire. The NH Fish and Game Department and the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food advise the public to be aware of this situation and to be diligent about keeping pet vaccinations current. <http://archive.mailermailer.com/view/215808614r-ebe4e998%2a1212169t-3ff85b7f>
- **Montpelier, VT:** The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department is reminding hunters and anglers of changes to permanent license laws that go into effect starting on **January 1st**. Starting January 1, 2017 the eligible age will be raised to 70 and the license will be free.
- **Durham NH:** Applications are now being accepted for this year’s **NH Coverts Project Volunteer training workshop** on May 3-6, 2017, at the Barbara C Harris Conference Center in Greenfield (NH). Deadline for applications is March 1st, 2017. <http://archive.mailermailer.com/view/215808614r-ebe4e998%2a1217230b-74e9dd56>
- **Maine IF&W has partnered with local community colleges** to sponsor wild game cooking workshops. See complete list of opportunities and schedule at <http://www.maine.gov/wordpress/insideifw/2016/09/08/schedule-for-wild-game-cooking-workshops-hosted-by-maines-community-colleges/>
- **Augusta ME:** Maine IF&W will be partnering with **New Brunswick Province** to have a “Free Trail Weekend” January 20-22. Insurances and a special “free” permit are required for New Brunswick—as well as other particulars.
- **Concord NH:** The tri-state free snowmobiling weekend is **January 27-29, 2017** during which snowmobilers may operate using their home state registration between ME, NH and VT. Local laws must be obeyed of course.
- **CONCORD, N.H. --** If you’ve always wanted to try ice fishing, take advantage of New Hampshire’s first-ever winter free fishing day on Saturday, January 21, 2017. That’s a day you can fish without a license in New Hampshire. [See NHF&G Blurb on this.](#)
- **Concord, NH:** NHF&G has listed the Becoming An Outdoors Woman (BOW) courses for 2017. Click this link to read about these great events. <http://archive.mailermailer.com/view/215808614r-ebe4e998%2a1219417r-03406394> If you think you’re interested, sign up early when registration opens. These courses are very popular and fill up quickly.

## Discover WILD New Hampshire Day Set for Saturday, April 29, 2017

Merrimack Valley Chapter will have the opportunity to participate in the Discover Wild NH Day again. Last year, members and their dogs spent the day interacting with the public. There was a great 'surge' in the following clinic's attendance after the WildNH day last year, when many visitors —several who became new members—came to Sharpe's Farm to see 'first hand' what we do. Now that we've been through one of these festivals, chapter members have a better idea of how to make things go. ***If you would like to help in this public relations/public education/outreach activity, please contact David Trahan.***

Kids and adults alike enjoy this annual festival at Fish & Game Headquarters! Admission is [free!](#)

Here are a few photos of previous Wild NH Days: [CLICK HERE](#) to see NHF&G web page.





# MVNAVHDA 2017 ANNUAL MEETING



A brief report by Den Swett

As I write this, today is Saturday, January 14th. It is about six hours after the Annual Meeting was held at the [New England Upland Sporting Club](#) in Hillsboro. Where to start?....



We had a good, 'honest' turn-out for the Annual Meeting. I counted about thirty-three and I believe some had already gone hunting at the 'preserve'. I had been to the location when it was owned by others, and I found this newer 'setting' to be lighter in both atmosphere and sociality with new owners and the facility renovations that they brought.

The meeting started on-time and the agenda was full of topics for discussion. Chapter 'departments' were discussed, and there was definitely an air of looking forward. "What does the future hold for MVNAVHDA?" The discussion was varied, very orderly and friendly. One of the major themes was the high level of participation and volunteerism that exists in the "culture" of the Merrimack Valley Chapter. Much gratitude was expressed for the 'helping hands' that made 'light work'.

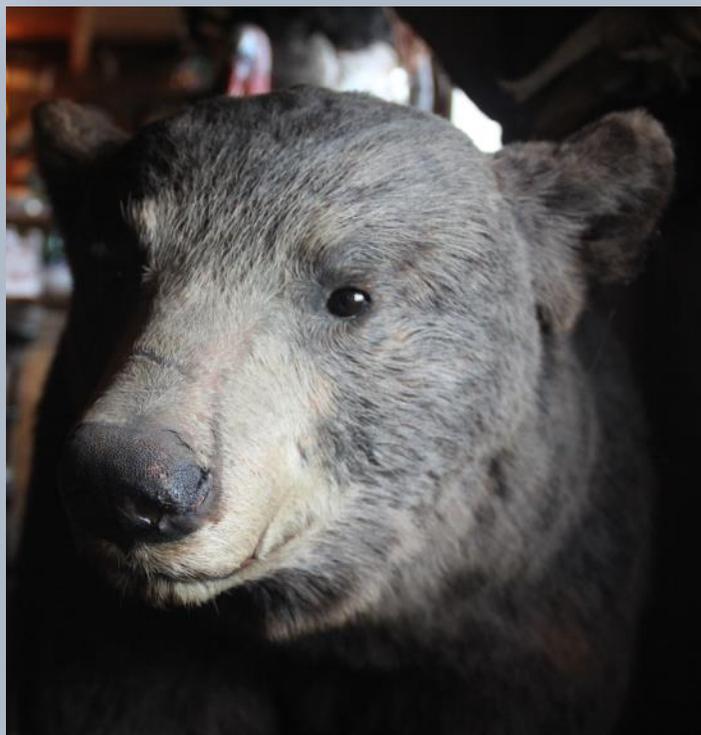
At the forefront of discussions was a review of the Hopkinton-Everett Lake Dog Club Association (HELDCA) and our involvement in it. Our leaders have been looking down the road and realized that (someday) we may need to consider alternative venues because the training environment will change around us.

The attack on NH Fish and Game's Commission that is underway by anti-hunting groups was also discussed. The NH Coalition for Wildlife has hired a full-time lobbyist in an effort to overthrow the current system of fish and game management in NH. Each

of us needs to be engaged wherever we are capable. The first battle was over the bobcat issue. This gave the "anti-hunting coalition opportunity to twist the reason for NHF&G receiving a portion of general funds and turn it into a version of "taxation without representation" issue for them to bring to legislature—a back-door approach to achieve their goals.

An informal chapter "Handling Clinic" is being developed for people who want to know better how to hand their dogs in testing situations, etc. *(Stay tuned on this, news at eleven.)*

Bird orders for training days were discussed. As I understood things: 1) people need to reply to Chris' emails asking about "How many birds do you need?" Those that do not respond to the emails will have to wait until all birds are distributed to see if there are any left-overs available. This 'rule' is because those individuals didn't order any birds. Simple! 2) The chapter will order a few more birds to cover bird loss, drop-in participants (my words), etc. *(See meeting minutes soon to be on website.)*



Some folks could bearly wait for lunch. Smelled great!

**ANNUAL MEETING (CONTINUED):**

The *proposed* schedule of who is using Sharpe's Farm and when was circulated. Our dates will be posted on the website and the 'all inclusive' schedule will appear later in the newsletter.



*Chris Pope explaining the role of HELDCA.*

The NH Wildlife Federation is standing in the breach as hunters and fishers address the attacks on the current 'modus operandi' of NHF&G. I believe that the argument that 'because general funds are being transferred to NHF&G, 'the people' (code word for activist groups) is a false one in that the purpose of those funds are to offset unfunded responsibilities that have been dumped on the agency. Non-hunter Search-and-Rescue, Snowmobile Cop work, ATV policing and things of this nature were not in the scope of NHF&G, but the larger agencies and legislators were quick to move responsibility without adequate budget.

(‘Nuff said on my part ...Perhaps too much.)

Chapter elections were held. The only changes that I saw was that Terry T. Long ran for Vice President, challenging Moishe Ragieme who was running for re-election. Terry's effort was successful. He was voted in as VP. We appreciate all the work and effort that Moishe Ragieme did while serving and wish him well wherever he chooses to serve in the chapter. Grateful for his *many* sacrifices on our behalf, we say "Thank you" to Moishe and "Congratulations" to Terry.

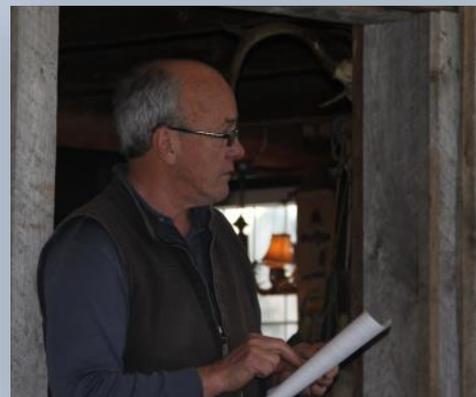


*Rob listening intently from his vantage point.*



*Great spread! Even the hosts contributed!*

Bob Fee was designated to be the Chapter delegate. He will attend the NAVHDA Annual Meeting and bring our votes to the meeting as he confers with other delegates. He explained the motions to be voted on and the chapter voted yea or nay.





MV Chapter President Carol Trahan leading the meeting.



Another point being explained and considered. Good stuff!

These are some highlights of the Annual Meeting. It was good to see old and new friends. There are more pictures on the [MVNAVHDA Facebook page](#) and on [Shutterfly](#). Contact Cheryl Cyr if you don't have access to the Shutterfly page yet. She'll help you to get on and "coach" you —if needed.



Joanna Korte

### FROM THE TEST SECRETARY:

Just a reminder that the opening date for posting test entries into the mail or email is **February 15, 2017**. If you are planning to test your dog in either the spring or the fall tests, do *not* wait until warm weather to send in your test entries. The tests do fill up to capacity.

If you have any questions regarding the test entry form or payment, please feel free to send an email to me at [joannakorte@gmail.com](mailto:joannakorte@gmail.com)

Thank you,  
Joanna Korte

*Editor's Note: For the sake of the many new members who joined Merrimack Valley Chapter, we are re-publishing last year's excellent article on ["Navhda's Test Capacity"](#). Please see pages 11 & 12. Den*

**Doug Ross** sent in this information: Fellow hunters:

Below are 2 links which you may find useful. As a kid, I recall a number of Canada geese hanging outside the local sporting good store in the 1950's. (Back in those days sporting goods stores generally specialized in shotguns/rifles/and fishing gear.) The owner/hunter of the gun shop was aging them. I also worked as a teenager in NYC's meat market and recall ribs of beef hanging in the cooler. The ribs were covered with what appeared to be green fur/mold as they aged. I was told that after aging, they would be sent next door to The Old Homestead Steakhouse (<http://www.theoldhomesteadsteakhouse.com>) which is one of NY's oldest and most famous steakhouses. (Jackie Gleason was a regular customer there.) Anyway, while cleaning ducks yesterday I did some research to determine if there was an easier way and found the information in the below 2 links interesting. (A few of you likely already are aware of the information but if not, suggest you check them out.)

Although I've never hung game birds to age, the second link advocates hanging game for a couple days (at the proper temperature) to improve flavor/tenderness. (It reminded me of the hanging geese outside the sporting goods store.) As an aside, my 2 Weims often retrieve dead birds while I'm hunting. Some of these birds appear to be in good shape, having been killed within the last couple days, not to be found by the shooter. I always take and clean them, and the meat has always been fine.)

<http://honest-food.net/2012/01/15/wild-ducks-eating-everything-but-the-quack/>

<http://honest-food.net/2012/10/20/on-hanging-pheasants-2/>



Jetta as a pup retrieving a dead goose she found near the bay in Newington

## ONE UP ON YOU by Terry Long

One of my best friends and hunting buddies, and I have had an unspoken contest or better called one up on you. Early in hunting season, on the way to one of our favorite spots, he told me that he had bought a turkey stamp. His goal for the year was to shoot his first turkey. I kept quiet because I thought Turkey stamps were a waste of money. We soon spotted a flock of turkeys in a field. Lucky for us the farmer was handy and gave us permission to kill all those “damn turkeys”.

Gus and I soon came up with a plan. I dropped him at the end of the field where he hid in the woods. I drove to the other end of the field, and slowly walked towards the turkeys trying to herd them to toward Gus. Well, turkeys don't herd well. They took off flying into some tall pine trees. I heard several shots. Unfortunately, the turkeys wore amour which was impervious to number 7 1/2 birdshot. Poor Gus didn't get his first turkey

From there we proceeded to the stocking fields. Here, with my superior dogs and shooting, I limited out first. One up on you Gus.

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Several weeks later, we traveled to one of our favorite hunting spots in another state. As our usual practice, Gus followed his political leanings to the left (if you know Gus this is far from the truth) and I to the right. Seeker and I worked a field to the wood line with no results. We went into the woods skirting a Woodcock area, you know the one with all twisted and snagged Alders. To my chagrin, Seeker's tone starts beeping indicating he's on point, of course in that crappy area. Oh POOH! I said. You've all been there, crawling, twisting, bending, and scraping through trying to find your dog. Sometimes in mud up to your nose and with maybe a few bad words. People even like that, right Paul, John, and Mark. I finally got to Seeker. I found a spot where I could have some

type of a shooting lane. I commanded him to,“ go get it”, and off he went. Oh, POOH, POOH! What was he chasing, a deer or rabbit, whoa, whoa I yelled to no avail. Beep, beep with no luck. I tried electrocution as the last resort, but it did not stop him.

It seemed like after an hour of calling, he finally came back carrying a turkey in his mouth. For the first time, ever, I was glad I was in heavy cover. I was in a state where the environmental law officers did not have a sense of humor and I did not have a turkey stamp. I envisioned my gun, Seeker, and Gus's truck being impounded. I did have to take a picture though. I placed the exhausted turkey and in the crotch of a tree and skedaddled. Meeting up with Gus at the truck, showed him the picture, saying **ONE UP ON YOU!**

Later, I spoke to a local fish and game officer asking him what I should do in that situation. He says things like that happen and all you must call them and let them know what happened.

“You're right .”I thought.



## To The Point:



***“By their fruits ye shall know them”.....***

A very informative discussion took place the recent annual meeting concerning political activism and the NH Fish and Game Commission. It turns out that a full-time lobbyist has been hired by a small, yet extremely vocal and active group called *The NH Wildlife Coalition*—“coalition” being an operative word.

*I believe* that their purpose is to change the NH Fish and Game, it’s role and our hunting rights.

Responding to the aggressive moves, New Hampshire Wildlife Federation has hired a part-time lobbyist.

At the 2017 Annual Meeting, our MV Chapter voted to provide five hundred dollars towards the cost of NHWF’s part-time lobbyist. The members also voted to provide a spot on the MV membership registration forms where individuals could voluntarily donate five dollars towards the maintenance of the part-time lobbyist at NH Wildlife Federation—a way of “*putting our money where our mouths are*”, so to speak.

The names of the two organizations sound similar, but don’t be fooled. The groups are worlds apart! Study them out and see what kind of ‘fruit’ that each organization ‘bears’.

Be careful and studious. The language at the NHWC’s website is carefully crafted and ‘wordsmithed’. The title of the Coalition was carefully chosen and seems to nearly “mirror” the Federation’s.

But please don’t believe *me!* Take time to study it out for yourself and come to your own conclusion.

Once you carefully review the opposing principles, you’ll know where to ‘stand’.

## **Here are the two websites:**

*Just click on the appropriate [blue link](#) to be taken to each ‘home page’.*

**NH Wildlife Federation:** *(MVNAVHDA has delegates to this)*

<http://www.nhwf.org/>

**NH Wildlife Coalition**

<http://www.nhwildlifecoalition.org/>

The NH Wildlife Coalition has been emboldened by their self-perceived “success” with the bobcat hunt, and are now more ‘overt’. The HSUS is putting its financial and political weight behind their actions in NH—and other states as well .

Remember the Maine bear hunt issue?

*“Putting our money where our mouths are”.. ..that will be the easy part.*

*En garde!*

*Den*



## NAVHDA's TEST CAPACITY

Have you ever wondered how we end up with the combination of test types and the number of dogs run each day at the test weekends? Have you wondered why on some days 10 dogs are run, while on other days only 6 are tested? Have you wondered why you didn't get the test day that you requested? Some of you have been asked to move to a different test day, even after you have been given your running day. Wonder why?

No, it's not due to the fancy of the Judges or the Test Secretary. The answer is all about NAVHDA's "Test Capacity Chart". The test capacity chart (below) can be found on NAVHDA's website. Much of the information in this article is from [page 4 of NAVHDA Test Secretary Information Packet](#).

*This chart dictates the number of dogs that may be tested in one day by a judging team. This has been established to assist chapters in the planning of their tests. Once the chapter Test Secretary has requested the test days to the NAVHDA Test Director, the NAVHDA office will send the notice of approval to the Chapter Test Secretary. "Extra capacity is granted to chapters with a history of successful tests run on the grounds that they are experienced and that lend themselves to efficient operations"*

The Merrimack Valley Chapter typically receives an approval for the **MAXIMUM** number of dogs as described in the lower table of the NAVHDA Test Capacity Chart.

The Test Capacity Chart is based on the amount of time to minimally run a test of a certain type. For instance, a Utility Test (UT) or a Utility Preparatory Test (UPT) takes at least 1.75 hours (if we were to add up the time it takes one dog to go through each section of the Utility Test consecutively) to run. This amount of time allows for the planting of birds in the field, the placing of a duck in the pond for the search portion of the test, as well as the time needed for the Judges discussion. A Natural Ability test (NA) takes an hour to run at a minimal.

There are a lot of factors that 'factor' into the time it takes in running a test; including the number of apprentices judging the test, whether there is a female in heat testing, and even the weather conditions. These factors may add time to each portion of the test. Therefore, *it is imperative that we abide by the test capacity chart in planning the test.*



Joanna Korte

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NAVHDA Sanctioned test Capacity Chart  
Maximum Number of Dogs per Judging Team

<u>NA &amp; UPT</u>	<u>UPT &amp; UT</u>	<u>UT &amp; NA</u>
10 0	7 0	6 0
9 0	6 1	5 1
8 1	5 2	4 2
7 2	4 2	3 3
6 2	3 3	3 4
5 3	2 4	2 5
4 4	1 5	2 6
3 4	0 6	1 7
2 5		1 8
1 6		0 9
0 7		0 10

When conducting three types of tests with one judging team, UPT dogs are considered to be UT dogs in your calculations of the number of dogs, which can be run (Use UT and NA table)

Looking at the test capacity chart, we see that if we run 10 NA dogs on one day we cannot run any dogs in either UPT or UT. If we have 6 UT dogs on one day, that would be a full test. So, the combinations above are what the Test Secretary has to work with in planning the test along with the Director of Testing.

The system works, as it allows the right amount of time for the testing of each dog, based upon the types of test each dog has entered. Running orders are chosen randomly, 3 to 4 days prior to the test except for a couple of exceptions. When a handler is handling more than one dog in a group, the dogs do not run back-to-back. The NAVHDA Test Secretary Information Packet says “The dogs can take it, the handler usually cannot”

The other exception is that females in season must run last each day.

Every test secretary dreads the times when people’s requests cannot be met or an entry cannot be accepted into a test due to the number and types of tests previously entered. There is a lot of juggling of entries behind the scenes prior to the test day. We have even added a second test (and the extra set of judges) to a test weekend to help fit everyone into a test.

I hope this has helped explain the test capacity chart to you and has helped you to know that even though we try to accommodate everyone, the test capacity chart dictates the final test entry numbers.

Joanna Korte, MVNAVHDA Test Secretary



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