

**Region 13**  
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So much has been happening this year in Region 13. We have had two new clubs have their preliminary test, Salt Valley in Lincoln, Nebraska and Hidden Pines in Cheyenne, Wyoming. We also have another new club who will soon be having their test – Laramie Peak in Douglas, Wyoming. It's so wonderful to have our region growing like this. As you can see from all the pictures, we have had a great year so far with titles and 500 point awards. And then there is Rich Carpenter who has made us all proud to have him in our region as he and his dog Roux have reached the 2000 points. This is a great accomplishment

**Arkansas Valley HRC – President, Bryce Hiigel, Lamar, CO, h2oknine@bresnan.net:** Everything is going great! We are just getting ready for our hunt test that will take place in July. We want to welcome all the new clubs to our region.

**Central Rockies HRC – President, Mandy Cieslinski, Arvada, CO, mandy\_cieslinski@hotmail.com: www.CRHRC.com:** No report submitted.

**Elkhorn Valley HRC – President, Ken Newcomb, Norfolk, NE, romans2@telebeep.com:** Elkhorn Valley HRC is very busy putting together our Upland test for late August. We are very excited about trying this style of hunt.

We are also very excited as we have just passed a major phase in getting the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District to allow one of their areas to be used as a dog training area with potential for special usage by EVHRC. This will be a huge boost for our club.

**Great Plains HRC – President, Jack Lindstrom, Kearney, NE, jlindstrom@barneyinsurance.net:** The summer is hot in Nebraska slowing down the dogs and the handlers this summer. A lot of the guys have been going to hunt test in the region. We had a great turnout at the Panhandle Test, several dogs passed and the test was first class everyone had a great time and enjoyed seeing all of their buddies and meeting new ones. Thanks to Tim Riggs for the use of his ranch. Rick Meyer attended the Hidden Pines test in Wyoming where he tilted "Reba". He was a happy handler; he is also having great success with "Abby" who is only 2 qualifiers away from her MH. On a sad note our condolences go out to Lynn and Cindy Quadhammer on the loss of HRCH "Maddy" who was always a joy to be around and one of great pheasant dogs in the area. We are sure she is up there looking for another bird. Lynn will miss her. We are looking forward to our summer party in September to kick off the hunting seasons. Hope to see at the next HRC Test. Stay cool!!!!!!!



Great Plains would like to congratulate Rick Meyer on Reba's new Started Title!

**Hidden Pines HRC – President, Fred Lysinger, Cheyenne, WY medicinebeaukennels@yahoo.com:** Our Preliminary hunt was a great success. We had a good turnout and everyone seemed to have a good time. It was held on the Herdford Ranch south of Cheyenne, Wyoming. We want to thank everyone for helping us get started in HRC and a special thanks to those who judged for us and helped us out with everything.



Nick Todd gets wet for his started title at the social at the Hidden Pines test in June.

**Laramie Peak HRC – President Matt Kelley, Douglas, WY, lazkbirdogs@yahoo.com:** Things are coming together for our test that will be held in August. We are getting the judges lined up and working on the premium. I am quite happy with the number of people willing to help our new club with its preliminary hunt.

We are getting a good response for donations for the auction/raffle. The social will be held at the hunt test grounds and it will be a cookout. Our rosettes are ordered and most of our equipment lined up. We hope to see a lot of you there!

**Panhandle HRC – President, Bill Spitzer, Rapid City, SD, dabullnbill@rushmore.com:** Another successful hunt test has become history for the 7th time, at Panhandle HRC. This year we had the added excitement of Mother Nature getting involved, and we had to interrupt our Sunday finished test to allow a severe lightning and thunderstorm to pass. Our host and landowner Tim Riggs suffered damage to his home and other

buildings at the ranch, but fortunately no one received any personal injury.

Speaking of Tim, I'm happy to say the club members voted him the annual John Riggs Memorial award. Don't know of anyone more deserving. What club in HRC is fortunate enough to have a landowner flood a batch of land with his irrigation water, so we could run water tests during a drought? Our usual water testing source, the North Platte River was only a fraction of what it normally should be. In fact our Sunday Finished "land" series was on the river.



Tim Riggs receiving the "John Riggs Memorial Award!"

Thanks to all the participants, judges, bird throwers, and members that helped to make it another memorable hunt test in the Panhandle.

While we didn't have any "hat-floaters" picking up purple title ribbons, we did award a 500 point ribbon to one participant, Ron Ross of SCHRC and his UH HRCH Cody Bear Ross. Congratulations Ron and Cody!

Speaking of 500 point winners, our youngest member Chelsae Riggs and her dog Ranger reached the 500 point plateau at the PVHRC hunt test in May. She got to share the spotlight during the evening's ceremonies with Rich Carpenter and Roux, who had achieved the 2,000 point marker. Congratulations to Chelsae and Rich.



Chelsae Riggs with her 500 point ribbon and Cayden Jobman with his Started title ribbon.



Tracy Todd gets wet for his started Title with Golden Retriever – Emma!

Region 13A FR, and PHRC member Pat Johnson, was happy to announce one of this years HRC scholarships awarded at the HRC National meeting, went to Katti Riggs. Katti is the daughter of Tim and Kellye Riggs, and will be attending college this fall at the University of Wyoming.



Pat Johnson and John Klomp presenting the award to Katti Riggs

**Platte River HRC – President, Jay Dee Richards, North Platte, NE, [jrichards@pssd.com](mailto:jrichards@pssd.com):** The weather has been so hot that only a couple diehard members are training. Some members have been running hunt tests and several more have been judging. We will be planning our fall get-together soon and dreaming of cooler temperatures and hunting season.

**Platte Valley HRC – President, Don Williams, Loveland, CO, [willid@lpbroadband.net](mailto:willid@lpbroadband.net); [www.PVHRC.com](http://www.PVHRC.com):** We had another successful test in May. So many things happened. We would like to congratulate Rich Carpenter who reached the 2000 point mark with Roux; Chelsea Riggs and Mike Servi joined the 500 point club; youth Cayden Jobman put a started title on his dog Pistol; and we had a puppy stake and a future handler stake ran by youth Dean Herman. There was a great turn out and many handlers did a great job with their dogs. Platte Valley would like to thank all that helped with the test as marshaling, setting up the tests, bird and gun stewards, and especially our judges!



Rich Carpenter receiving a plaque from Vice President, Mike Brockman in honor of the 2000 points earned.



Dean Herman kissing his new puppy "Preacher" before running him in the puppy stakes.



Mike Servi with his 500 point ribbon awarded by Judges Willie Ratliff and Libby Milroy.



Dean Herman receiving his ribbons from Judge Mike Baker. Dean ran his pup "Preaheer" in the puppy stakes and then ran his Golden Retriever in the future hunter stakes.



Judge Larry Davis and Tom Herman awarding Chelsea Riggs her 500 point ribbon. See all the smiles!

**Roadrunner HRC – President, Bill Archer, Los Alamos, NM, [darcher123@comcast.net](mailto:darcher123@comcast.net):** Club members have been using the spring for training. The club has put on Fun Hunts in the Jemez National Forest May and June. We are getting ready for our Hunt Tests on September 8-9 at Bosque Del Apache. Hope to see folks there!

**Salt Valley HRC – President, Robert Campbell, Lincoln, NE, [Robert.Campbell@nelnet.net](mailto:Robert.Campbell@nelnet.net):** No Report Submitted.

**Southern Colorado HRC – President, Mike Jordan, Pueblo, CO:**



Ron Ross of Southern Colorado HRC and Cody Bear Ross achieved the 500 points at the Panhandle test in June. Bill Spitzer is awarding him his 500 point ribbon at the social.



Region 13 youth handler Cayden Jobman perfecting his skills.



Don Ley of Southern Colorado attended the preliminary hunt of Hidden Pines HRC in Cheyenne, Wyoming.



Suede continues her training at Flatlander Kennels.

**Western Colorado HRC – President Rick Hunter, New Castle, CO, rick1735@hotmail.com:** The busy hunt test season is well under way in region 13. I would like to take this opportunity to honor a few of our members. Congratulations to Hoyt owned by Travis Hyde and Suede owned by Kirby Lloyd on their recent started titles. I would also like to congratulate Jim McLaughlin on his first finished pass with Summer and Jerry Stahl on his first seasoned pass on Belle. It is truly gratifying to see our members doing so well on the HRC hunt test circuit. Keep up the good work guy's!!!

Western Colorado Hunting Retriever Club is also proud to keep the memory of John Tillema alive through the John Tillema Scholarship program. This program pays the entry fee for youth handlers at our hunt test. As president of this club it is hard to express the feelings I have about the successes of this club and how proud I am to be a part of the HRC family.