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Weimaraner Club of America
2003 Versatile Expo
Hosted By
Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club

September 26, 2003 through September 29, 2003
Comprised of the following events:

Weimaraner Club of America
Tracking Test #2003168424

September 26, 2003

G-Bar Retrievers Ranch - Lodi, CA

Tracking Test Secretary

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Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club
Obedience Trial #2003224514

September 27, 2003

Starfleet K9 Facility – Elk Grove, CA

Obedience Trial Secretary

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Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club
Shooting and Retrieving Ratings Tests

September 28, 2003

G-Bar Retrievers Ranch - Lodi, CA

Ratings Test Secretary

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Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club
Agility Trial #2003224503, #2003224504, #2003224505

September 27-29, 2003

Starfleet K9 Facility/Western Agility Group – Elk Grove, CA

Agility Trial Secretary

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AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB CERTIFICATION

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules.

James P Crowley, secretary

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Ratings Test Secretary Cydney Hansen
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Tracking Secretary Rahl Hoeptner
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Workshop – Field Training Problems Shirley Nilsson
Workshop – Weims in Agility Lori Barbee
Workshop – Tracking Shirley Nilsson

JUDGES

Tracking

Mrs. Barbara Adcock
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Mr. Ronald W. Simmons
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Ratings Test – Retrieving

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John Perry
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

September 26, 2003 - September 29, 2003

(All events held at Western Agility Group/Starfleet K9 Facility (WAG), Elk Grove, CA, or Grupe's G-Bar Retrievers Ranch (G-Bar), Lodi, CA)

Friday, Sept 26th WCA Tracking Test (G-Bar)
Workshop: Tracking – Shirley Nilsson (G-Bar)

Saturday, Sept 27th SVWC Obedience Trial (WAG)
SVWC All-Breed Agility Trial (WAG)
Workshop: Agility - Lori Barbee (WAG)

Sunday, Sept 28th SVWC All-Breed Agility Trial (WAG)
SVWC Ratings Tests (G-Bar)
Workshop: Field – Shirley Nilsson (G-Bar)
Versatility Banquet (G-Bar)

Monday, Sept 29th SVWC Weimaraner-Only Agility Trial (WAG)
Recognition of Most Versatile Weimaraner (WAG)

SUMMARY OF FEES

Tracking Test	\$50
Obedience Trial (first entry)	\$26
Obedience Trial (additional entry – same dog)	\$14
Ratings Tests – NSD, NRD	\$35
Ratings Tests – SD, RD	\$40
Ratings Tests – SDX, RDX	\$50
Agility Trial (first run per day)	\$18
Agility Trial (second run per day)	\$8
Tracking Workshop	\$15
Agility Workshop	\$15
Field Workshop	\$20
MicroTel (at Lodi - SVWC rate per night)	\$62
Camping Hookups (at Starfleet K9 Facility - per night)	\$15
Tent camping (at Starfleet K9 Facility)	free
Spaghetti Feed Night (Saturday)	\$7
Versatility Banquet (Sunday)	\$25

PREMIUM LISTS

Premium lists for the events are available at the following links. If you would like to receive printed premiums, send your request to: Frank Sommer, 1542 Estee Ave., Napa, CA 94558, truman@weimaraner.com.

Tracking:

<http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/tracking2003vx.pdf>

Obedience:

<http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/obedience2003vx.pdf>

All-Breed Agility:

<http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/agility2003vx.pdf>

Weimaraner Agility:

<http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/weimagility2003vx.pdf>

Ratings Tests:

<http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/Ratings2003vx.pdf>

VERSATILE EXPO WORKSHOPS

In the spirit of promoting excellence in versatility, The Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club will present three workshops in conjunction with the WCA 2003 Versatile Expo. We are fortunate in having two outstanding Weimaraner trainers and handlers for these workshops. Because these are working sessions, the number of participants in each workshop is limited, be sure to sign up if you are interested. SVWC is trying to keep the cost of the workshops as low as possible, with the fees only going to covering expenses. Should there be any profit from a workshop, the proceeds will go to Weimaraner Rescue.

Tracking Training for TD and TDX – This workshop will be given by Shirley Nilsson, owner, trainer and handler of DC AFC Can CH Can OTChX Regen's Summer Blaze UD Am/Can TDX MH AXJ AX VCD3 Can FDX Can AGN Can TT SDX RDX VX CGC. The tracking workshop will be held on the grounds at G-Bar Retrievers Ranch, shortly after completion of the Tracking Tests on Friday (approximately 2:00).

This seminar will provide an overview of tracking applications, scenting theory and the requirements of TD and TDX tests. There will be information on structuring a tracking training program and tips for motivating your dog to track and indicate articles. The participants will be split into two groups according to tracking experience for the practical component of the seminar.

The fee for this workshop is \$15, and it is open to Weimaraners only. Because of the fieldwork involved, we recommend each handler only work one dog. The workshop will include hands-on tracking, and due to time constraints it will be limited to 10 dogs on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please bring chairs, shade, and field stakes or crates for your dogs.

Agility and Your Weim – This workshop will be given by Lori Barbee, owner, trainer and handler of MACH4 Chloe's Blue Velvet, and Greyquest Repeat Performance, JH, MX, MXJ. In addition to her unparalleled accomplishments in the agility ring (first MACH and only MACH/2/3/4 Weimaraner, and only AKC/NADAC/USDAA triple champion Weimaraner), Lori is an excellent instructor. Two workshop sessions will be held: Advanced (for dogs who have obtained an agility title) from 3:00 to 5:00, and Novice from 6:00 to 8:00.

Advanced Workshop: Bring your competition dog and work on your handling. Lead outs, changing your dog's path, turns and more. Please let us know if you have specific areas that you would like to cover. Due to availability of equipment, contact obstacle work will not be offered.

EVENT CONFLICTS

Novice Workshop: Bring your beginner dog and join us for play and agility foundation work. Learn turns, crosses, and the use of toys to motivate your Weim to succeed. Please bring your dog's favorite toys and soft treats. Dogs should be on a flat buckle collar and a soft 6-foot leash.

The fee for this workshop is \$15. It will be limited to 6 dogs per session.

Field Training Problems – This workshop will be given by Shirley Nilsson, owner, trainer and handler of DC AFC Can CH Can OTChX Regen's Summer Blaze UD Am/Can TDX MH AXJ AX VCD3 Can FDX Can AGN Can TT SDX RDX VX CGC. Shirley is a very innovative trainer, and Ruby's accomplishments speak to her results. The field workshop will be held on the grounds at G-Bar Retrievers Ranch, shortly after completion of the Ratings Tests (approximately 2:00).

The workshop will focus on the role of a versatile pointing dog in the field, and on solving hunting, birdwork, and retrieving problems. It will encompass both theory and practice. There will be ample opportunity to address individual training issues with discussion and demonstration. Please bring chairs, shade, and field stakes or crates for your dogs. This workshop is open to Weimaraners only. Because of the fieldwork involved, we recommend each handler only work one dog. The charge for the workshop is \$20. Due to time constraints the workshop will be limited to 12 dogs on a first-come, first-serve basis.

WORKSHOP ENTRY FORM

Please send check (US funds) payable to SVWC to Cydney Hansen, 1542 Estee Ave., Napa, CA 94558. Closing date is Sept. 17, 2003.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Tracking Dog's call name: _____ \$15

Novice Agility Dog's call name: _____ \$15

Adv Agility Dog's call name: _____ \$15

Please list any advanced agility topics you would like covered on the back of this form.

Field Dog's call name: _____ \$20

The WCA 2003 Versatile Expo is four days packed with activities for your versatile dog. We have tried to arrange the schedule to allow for spectating and participation in as many events as possible, but some conflicts are inevitable. Please read the information below on possible conflicts. If you have any question as to whether your schedule can be accommodated, please contact the Expo Chairman, as no refunds will be made for events missed due to conflicts

Obedience/Agility conflicts on Saturday will not be an issue: all conflicts will be handled. While the two trials will be held simultaneously, the rings are less than a minute's walk from each other, and there will be plenty of time to complete the trials. The Obedience ring will be held from time to time if necessary.

Ratings Test/Agility conflicts on Sunday may be problematic for a few combinations of classes, but not an issue for most entries. Every effort will be made to handle these conflicts, but in some cases it may not be possible. A prime consideration is the 25-minute drive between the two sites. Please contact the Expo Chairman with your entry specifics to discuss the feasibility of entering both the Ratings Tests and the Sunday All-Breed Agility Trial.

The Tracking Workshop will not start until the Tracking Tests are completed. The Agility Workshop will not start until the Agility and Obedience Trials are completed. The Field Workshop will not start until the Ratings Tests are completed, but it may overlap with the Sunday Agility Trial, depending on the number of entries in the Agility Trial.

MOST VERSATILE WEIMARANER

In as much as the WCA 2003 Versatile Expo is a celebration of the great versatility represented in our wonderful breed, the Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club wishes to specially recognize the Most Versatile Weimaraner (MVW), based on their performance at the Expo. Accordingly, a scoring system has been created that awards points to a dog for each event in which they participate successfully. At the completion of the Expo, SVWC will recognize the dog with the greatest number of accumulated points, the prestigious designation: **Most Versatile Weimaraner**.

Rules for the competition, full details on the scoring system, and the required MVW entry form are contained in the document located at <http://www.weimaraner.org/svwc/files/mvw2003vx.pdf>.

An intermediate update on the point standings among the competing MVW dogs will be announced at the Versatility Banquet on Sunday evening. The award will be presented after completion of the final event, the Weimaraner Agility Trial on Monday.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel: The Sacramento Valley Weimaraner Club has negotiated a special rate of \$62.10 per night (plus \$10 pet fee) at the Microtel Hotel in Lodi. Microtel accepts dogs and is just a five-minute drive from the Tracking and Ratings Test venue (G-Bar Retrievers Ranch). The Agility venue is a quick 20-mile drive up I-5. Contact Microtel at 888-771-7171 and mention SVWC to make your reservations. The room block will be held until September 17th.

Camping and RV: Camping (free) and RV with hookups (\$15 per night) are available on the grounds at Starfleet K9 Facility, the Agility/Obedience venue. See the Agility premium and make RV reservations through the Agility Secretary.

Other Motels: Motel 6 West Sacramento is in the area, but it is 21 miles from Starfleet, and 35 miles from G-Bar Retrievers Ranch. Call 800-466-8356 for reservations.

MEALS

Friday: A complimentary continental breakfast will be provided at the tracking venue for Tracking Test participants. Lunch will be provided as well.

Saturday:

Breakfast/Lunch: Breakfast items and a hot lunch will be available for purchase from Lazy Dog Barbecue on site at the Agility/Obedience venue.

Dinner: A *Spaghetti Feed* including salad and desert will be held at 5pm on site at the Agility/Obedience venue. This coincides with a break between the Advanced & Novice Agility Workshops. Be sure to sign up if you are interested.

Sunday:

Breakfast/Lunch (Agility): Breakfast items and a hot lunch will be available for purchase from Lazy Dog Barbecue on site at the Agility/Obedience venue.

Breakfast/Lunch (Ratings Test): Coffee and breakfast muffins/donuts will be available. Debbie and Bruce Gross (*Rockville Weimaraners*) are providing lunch. A donation to Weimaraner Rescue is requested.

Dinner: *The Versatility Banquet* will be a sumptuous barbecue from Buckhorn Restaurant, catered on the grounds at G-Bar Retrievers Ranch. On the menu is Teriyaki chicken, Char Roasted tri-tip, baked potatoes, fresh mixed sautéed vegetables, fresh garden salad, and dessert. Be sure to sign up if you are interested. Time: 6:30 pm after the Field Training Workshop.

Monday: Breakfast and lunch items will be available for purchase from Lazy Dog Barbecue on site at the Agility venue.

MEAL RESERVATIONS

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Saturday Spaghetti Feed (WAG) # of people _____ \$7 ea

Sunday Versatility Banquet (G-Bar) # of people _____ \$25 ea