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From the President...too formal, just call me James. I'm looking forward to another year of club activities but more important spending time in the field with great dogs and people that make this all possible.

Thanks to past President Hilde for her dedication to this club and that I can come close to doing the great work she did.

I want to take this time to introduce myself. I've been a member since 2012 with my family (April, Timothy & Ashleigh) and dogs Huey and Remi. Let's not forget the hound....Asher. You'll meet all of them at our [Family Fun Day June 8th](#) at Training Fields LLC. I'm a drilling engineer at ConocoPhillips and have lived in Alaska my whole life. I'm going to try to make this **Presidents Corner** update monthly or if any event changes or required announcements.

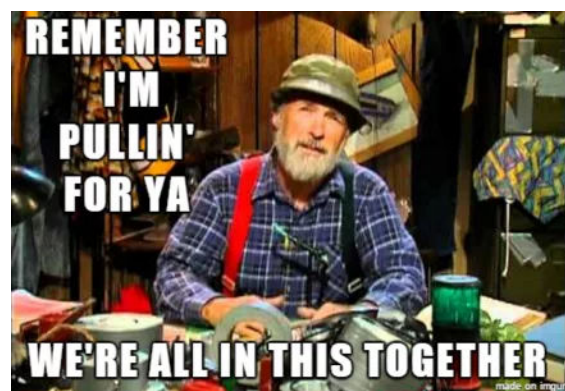
The following page is a calendar of events we currently have planned. **Right now, we need a July Flushing Hunt Test Chairman.** Please reach out if you would like to volunteer in any way. We'll have another [general membership meeting April 18th](#) to review our event status. I'm planning to have this meeting in person, plus Zoom for those that can't attend.

Reminder that we'll be holding our annual Novice / Puppy introductory class for people and their dogs interested in the basics of training for upland bird hunting and AKC hunting tests. Weekly classes will be scheduled beginning the third week of April.

[When you can, please check your membership status.](#) I believe I need to renew this month. Please reach out to me or the board members with any questions or concerns. Also, if you have an idea for a general meeting topic let us know; i.e., first aid, nutrition, ADF&G, etc. At any time feel free to stop by my cabin at Training Fields LLC and have a beer.



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2024 Events

							1-Jun
2-Jun	3-Jun	4-Jun	5-Jun	6-Jun	7-Jun	8-Jun	Family Fun Day
9-Jun	10-Jun	11-Jun	12-Jun	13-Jun	14-Jun	15-Jun	
16-Jun	17-Jun	18-Jun	19-Jun	20-Jun	21-Jun	22-Jun	Chukar Challenge
23-Jun	24-Jun	25-Jun	26-Jun	27-Jun	28-Jun	29-Jun	Master Chukar Challenge
30-Jun							Training Day @ TF LLC

	1-Jul	2-Jul	3-Jul	4-Jul	5-Jul	6-Jul	
7-Jul	8-Jul	9-Jul	10-Jul	11-Jul	12-Jul	13-Jul	Flushers Hunt Test
14-Jul	15-Jul	16-Jul	17-Jul	18-Jul	19-Jul	20-Jul	Flushers Hunt Test
21-Jul	22-Jul	23-Jul	24-Jul	25-Jul	26-Jul	27-Jul	Pointer Chukar Challenge
28-Jul	29-Jul	30-Jul	31-Jul				Training Day @ TF LLC

				1-Aug	2-Aug	3-Aug	
4-Aug	5-Aug	6-Aug	7-Aug	8-Aug	9-Aug	10-Aug	Training Day @ TF LLC
11-Aug	12-Aug	13-Aug	14-Aug	15-Aug	16-Aug	17-Aug	Pointer Clinic
18-Aug	19-Aug	20-Aug	21-Aug	22-Aug	23-Aug	24-Aug	Pointers Hunt Test
25-Aug	26-Aug	27-Aug	28-Aug	29-Aug	30-Aug	31-Aug	Flushers Hunt Test

Refer to the webpage for full details: arcticbirddog.org

GM meeting dates for 2024
January 18th; April 18th; July 18th; November 21st

Family Fun Day: *ABDA is hosting at Training Fields LLC in Point MacKenzie.* Activities will include hunting test demonstrations with flushing and pointing breeds. Training tips on handling dogs for AKC hunting tests and for hunting wild birds. Potluck Lunch (club provided hamburgers &/or hotdogs) - Donations welcome!

Chukar Challenge: Is your chance to work your dog on some good flying chukar partridges and hone your shooting skills in a fun and competitive event. Participants will have 20 minutes for their dog to find 3 birds.

Saturday June 22nd is for Flushers & Pointers
Sunday June 23rd will be a Master Chukar Challenge for the Pointers
Saturday July 27th is a second event for the Pointers, more to come

Training Days: *ABDA is hosting at Training Fields LLC in Point MacKenzie.* These are scheduled days ABDA members will have access to TF LLC for training and/or bird pick up.

Flushing Hunt Test: Open To All AKC Registered Flushing Breeds. A complete list of eligible breeds can be found at the AKC website. Eligible breeds that have been granted Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) are eligible to enter. All dogs must be 6 months of age or older on the day of the hunting test.

July HT will be held at Point MacKenzie, August HT to be held in Delta Jct.

Pointing Hunt Test: *ABDA is hosting at Bird Dog Acres LLC in Point MacKenzie.* These Hunting Tests are held under the Rules and Procedures of the AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB (AKC). Tests are open to all AKC registered pointing breeds, including those that have been granted Indefinite Listing Privileges (ILPs).

NOTE: There will be 2 tests on Saturday, 2 tests on Sunday. Proceeded with a clinic on Friday.