



Master National Retriever Club

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Hello, my name is Larry Kimble. My wife, Kathy, and I have been married for 35 years. Time flies when you're having fun. We have two grown children and 3 grandchildren living in the Ft. Worth area. We have lived in Independence, KS, for 19 years. Previously, we lived in Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana while being involved in the oil business. I'm a mechanical engineer by education and training, but have spent most of my professional career in both manufacturing management and sales. I have spent the last 11 years in sales of truck bodies and trailers used in the beverage distribution for 15 states.

I started 32 years ago with labs just to duck and goose hunt and then to hunt pheasants. I tried a field trial back in the late 70s and needless to say I was not near ready. In 1997 I got a pointing lab. They are the real deal. Molly is eleven now with SH, HR, and the NBDCA 2001 High Pointing Flushing Dog. She got me hooked on hunt test, training, and some hunting 12 months a year. Her son, Jack, is eight years old and this year will get into the MN Hall of Fame after his fifth trip to the MN.

There is Harley, a six year old female, passed her second MN this year after her third trip. Both of these dogs have top titles from other hunt test organizations. I have a 2 year-old JH and a 6 month-old coming along. Yes, that totals five yellow labs. For me hunt tests took my dogs and me from hunting a few times to a year round hobby. This certainly keeps me looking forward to the next hunt test and the preparation my dogs need for it.

I have been a past director and treasurer of the American Pointing Labrador Association over the last 5 plus years. This has involved me in both the good and some of the problems of a national hunt test organization, hunt test logistics, the member issues, and member's problems a board occasionally must deal with. When not running a dog at a hunt test, I'd rather be judging a hunt test. This way I get my necessary hunt test "high".

I've judged AKC master hunt tests many times and have judged other hunt test organizations top levels similarly. I believe in the ongoing hunt test improvement being vitally important. As far as the Master National Retriever Club annual event goes, it is the highlight of my dog year. I am clearly honored and look forward to being the Master National Region 3 Director and being of service to the Region 3 Master National affiliated AKC clubs.
