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Local hunting retriever club to host professional training seminar

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — The Western Colorado Hunting Retriever Club (WCHRC) is hosting a weekend training seminar presented by professional hunting retriever trainer Chris Jobman of Flatlander Kennels (www.flatlanderkennels.com), located near Bridgeport in the Nebraska Panhandle. Both classroom and field exercises are slated for the weekend training event, which is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat.-Sun., March 15-16, here in Grand Junction. The seminar is open to non-members, as well as those just interested in improving their hunting dog-handling skills—and dogs are not required. This event is a must for anyone interested in taking retriever training to the next level!

“Chris is a rising star on the national hunting retriever scene and we’re proud to have him join us,” said Rick Hunter, president of the WCHRC. “He’s earned the respect of the national circuit, and caught the attention and sponsorship of several nationally known brands.” Door prizes from such sponsors as Eukanuba, Rehydrate, and Sportdog will be offered to registered participants during the training seminar.

Jobman competes as a member of *Team Waterdog* in such events as “The International Grand” and “Super Retriever Series” as seen on TV. Jobman will be presenting his dog training program that specifically addresses the transitional phase after basic obedience has been accomplished. Information and techniques will be demonstrated—these include force fetch, basic and advanced handling drills, swim-by, and pattern blinds. Participants will spend Saturday in a classroom setting; then on Sunday, everyone heads to the field where concepts learned the day before will be demonstrated by Jobman and practiced by the participants. Registered participants will have the opportunity to work with Jobman one-on-one.

WCHRC, a “for hunter by hunter” organization with an emphasis on the amateur dog handler, is a local hunting retriever club affiliated with Hunting Retriever Club International (HRCI). The goal of our organization is to pool resources, skills, knowledge, equipment, and land access for the betterment of hunting retrievers. HRCI sets a standard for started, seasoned, and champion hunting retrievers and tests dogs against this standard. The United Kennel Club keeps a registry of these titles.

Mention WCHRC for a special rate at the La Quinta Inn, a dog-friendly hotel, located at 2761 Crossroads Boulevard in Grand Junction. Lunch on Saturday, and coffee and pastries will be served to registered participants. While there is no limit on spectator entries, entries for dog/handler teams will be limited to 20, so contact us now to register! For registration and fee information, or to learn more about the Western Colorado Hunting Retriever Club, contact Kirby Lloyd at (970) 261-7062.

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