

# FUN FIELD DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2010

**Venue:** Hastings Island Hunting Preserve, 7758 Hastings Island Road, Rio Vista, CA 94571

**Sign in:** At the club house right by the parking lot (everyone must sign in before entering any field and sign out before leaving the preserve)

**Starting time:** 8:00 am until we are done (rolls and coffee will be available for early birds)

**Event Organizer:** Suzy Baur

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## Vizslas in their element

This is the day of the year our Vizslas are always longing for: the VCNC Fun Field Day. Dogs and their handlers have the opportunity to hunt (planted) game birds in the field, get advice from hunt-test experienced members, and enjoy a day with many other Vizslas and their owners, friends, and families. Whether you want to expose your dog to a hunting environment for the first time or to fine-tune your dogs hunting skills, this is the place to be.

Inexperienced dogs and their handlers are especially encouraged to attend — Vizslas of all ages and experience levels will have a unique chance to participate in the training runs or just to be out there soaking up the atmosphere. Come and see what the hunting field is all about, your dog will love you even more!

The training courses will be run as if it were a hunt test or field trial: we will have a formal starting line, a course that leads to a bird field with planted game birds, and a mentor who walks with you giving helpful feedback and answering questions.

There will be two fields, one for senior dogs, one for intermediate and beginner dogs with a special run for the puppies. **It is important that you let us know at which level your dog is and also if you'd like no shots to be fired at all, or just from a training pistol. The shot gun will be used in the Intermediate and Senior Stakes. If your dog has never been blanked or shot over, entry him/her in the "do-not-shoot-category". Do not use the Field Fun Day as a shooting exercise, we want to avoid making your dog gun shy.** A bracing sheet — which is a list of pairs of dogs running at an assigned time — will give you an idea of when your start time is going to be.

There will also be an open area for people to run their dogs. This must be done with a Hastings Club Member present. Non-club members cannot go into the field without a club-member.

**Hamburgers/Hot Dogs with chips and soda will be available for purchase (\$5). Please let us know how many you'd like.**

## How to attend

- Use the Fun Field Day training entry form to enter your dog(s) at the appropriate level and to reserve training birds for each dog you would like to train. Fee is \$25 for 2 birds (chuckar or quail), \$15 for single bird for puppy training.
- Please pay fees in advance.
- **Deadline for reservations/entries is Monday, April 12.**
- If you miss the deadline but still want to attend we will try to accommodate you and your Vizsla after the dogs with reservations have finished their runs.

## What to bring

- Be prepared for sun, wind, heat, fog and FUN! Dress for comfort: wear good shoes or boots. Bring a chair, binoculars, a leash, crate and/or tie-out (an important part of a dog's training is his time spent away from the "action").
- A training course will take approximately 30 minutes of walking in the field. Wearing hiking boots or similar shoes will make that much easier. In wet conditions, rubber boots are best.
- For safety reasons the Hunting Preserve's rules mandate the wearing of blaze orange vests, t-shirts, or hats. Bring your own or borrow club vests, or purchase at the club house.

**Volunteers welcome! Please contact Suzy.**

## Rules at Hastings Island Hunting Preserve

- **EVERYONE** attending this event **MUST** sign in at the front counter in the clubhouse upon arrival, and sign out at departure. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Drive carefully! The speed limit on the island is strictly enforced at 15 MPH.
- Participants are welcome to come the night before the event. Campers may park overnight in the parking lot. **Do not drain any hose from an RV or TRAILER. All RVs/TRAILERS MUST BE SELF-CONTAINED!**
- The clubhouse is open 24 hours per day and does have shower facilities. Please leave these facilities in an orderly and clean condition. Please deposit all garbage in trash cans.
- The refrigerators in the kitchen may be used **only** under supervision of the Hastings Island Hunting Preserve staff and only for temporary food storage. The kitchen **may not** be used for cooking or food preparation.
- Dogs are not allowed in the following areas: the clubhouse or clubhouse porch. Picnic areas or the mowed area adjacent to the picnic area or the trap range. **Dogs must be on leash at all times when not in the fields.** Please clean up after your dogs and do not tie them to trees or fences; bring stakeouts, crates or pens.
- Smoking is **NOT** permitted in the fields.
- Running time in the field is **strictly limited** to the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm! **EVERYONE must be out of the fields and signed out by 4:00 pm each day!** No exceptions! Dogs must be on leash outside these hours.
- **BLAZE ORANGE MUST BE WORN IN ALL OF THE HASTINGS FIELDS.**

WATER: is available from a hose by the entrance to the parking lot and water tubs will be placed in the fields for dogs and horses

## Directions to Hastings Island Hunting Preserve

FROM FAIRFIELD:

Traveling **EAST** on Hwy 12 toward Rio Vista: Approximately 18 miles on Hwy 12 there is a flashing light at the intersection of Hwy 113. Turn left on 113 **NORTH** until coming to another flashing light at the intersection of Hwy 113 and Hastings Island Road. **EAST:** Turn right onto Hastings Road and ½ mile up the road there is ascension onto a levee at the intersections of Hastings and Salem Roads. You will see “No Trespassing” Signs. ignore them! You are now on Hastings Island Road. **Obey the 15 MPH speed limit** and proceed 3 miles to the clubhouse and **SIGN IN!**

FROM SACRAMENTO:

Traveling **WEST** on Hwy 80 toward San Francisco. Take the Pedrick Road exit. Go left over the Freeway and stay on this road until you get to Midway Road. Turn **RIGHT** to the next intersection that is Hwy 113. Turn **LEFT** and follow 113 until you see the 2<sup>nd</sup> flashing light. The road doglegs to the right but **you go straight (WATCH THE CROSS TRAFFIC COMING FROM THE RIGHT)** there is **NO** Stop!!! ¼ mile up the road you will ascend onto a levee and then a gravel road. Stay on it until you get to the island. There will be “No Trespassing” signs, ignore them! **Obey the 15 Mile Speed Limit** and proceed 3 miles further to the clubhouse and **SIGN IN!**

FROM RIO VISTA:

Travel **WEST** on Hwy 12 toward Fairfield. 1 mile past Rio Vista turn **RIGHT** onto Church Road, at the end of Church, turn **LEFT** onto Airport road. 1 mile further there will be a “Y” at the intersection with Liberty Island Road. Stay to the **RIGHT** on Liberty Island Road. 5 miles further, the road ascends onto a levee and a bridge that will be on your left. There will be “No Trespassing” signs, ignore them and cross the bridge. You are on the Hastings Island Road. **Obey the 15 MPH speed limit** and proceed 4 miles further to the clubhouse and **SIGN IN!**

## EMERGENCY PLAN FOR CLUB EVENTS HELD AT HASTINGS ISLAND

EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR: Steve Artis

### FOR VETERINARY SERVICES:

Aggie Animal Clinic	707-678-1643 Dixon
All Animal Veterinary Clinic	707-374-6355 Rio Vista
Solano Pet Emergency Clinic	707-864-1444 Cordelia

### AMBULANCE SERVICES:

American Medical Response:	800-622-9782
HOSPITAL:	
North Bay Medical Center (EMERGENCY)	707-429-7830

## Fun Field Day Training Entry Form

Handler's Name	
Phone Number	
E-mail	
Number of lunches (please pay in cash at luncheon check-in) (Hamburger/ Hot Dog, Chips, Soda)	

Entry Level	Dog's Name	Age	Your Comments
<p><b>Senior</b> Hunter level: hunt, point, honor, retrieve. <b>Do not enter your dog in this stake unless it is advanced and has been shot over with a Shot Gun.</b> Please also tell us if your dog is steady to wing or to wing and shot. This will help us pair up your dog accordingly.</p>			<p>My dog (please check):  <input type="checkbox"/> honors,  <input type="checkbox"/> holds point  <input type="checkbox"/> steady to wing,  <input type="checkbox"/> steady to wing and shot  <input type="checkbox"/> retrieves</p>
<p><b>Intermediate</b> Hunter level: hunt, establish point. Blank/shot gun will be used. <b>If you do not want your dog to be blanked/shot over please tell us</b> and we will pair you with another brace mate that does not want to be blanked/shot over either.</p>			<p><input type="checkbox"/> No, please do not shoot over my dog  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please use shot gun  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please use blank gun</p>
<p><b>Beginner</b> Hunter level: hunt, have fun. Blank gun will be used. <b>If you don't want your dog to be blanked over please tell us</b> and we will pair you with another brace mate that does not want to be blanked over either. This stake is for young dogs 6-12 months of age or fist timers of any age.</p>			<p><input type="checkbox"/> No, please do not shoot over my dog  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please use blank gun</p>
<p><b>Puppy</b> Hunter level: just have fun. <b>No blanking will occur.</b> This stake will be reserved for dogs 4-6 months of age and will be in a separate smaller field.</p>			

Please make checks (for how many birds you'd like) payable to VCNC. Send check and completed form to:

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