



# North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association

## Chapter Motion Form - *Submit before November 1<sup>st</sup>*

- Motions to be considered by the delegates at the Annual Meeting, must be submitted by a sanctioned NAVHDA Chapter. In order to be considered at the business session at the Annual Meeting, the motion must be made and seconded by delegates.
- Because amendments often are proposed at the Annual Meeting, a chapter must have a representative at the Annual Meeting empowered to accept or reject amendments. If a chapter representative is not in attendance to present the motion, the motion will fail.
- Please complete the form online and print it and have it signed by the chapter officer listed on the form. Email, fax or mail to the NAVHDA Office so that it arrives by midnight, November 1<sup>st</sup> of the year preceding the Annual Meeting at which the motion is to be considered.

### MOTION:

This motion is for the Executive Council to consider the formation of a separate Invitational Grounds and Setup Committee that would be responsible for:

1. Assessing new grounds to be used for an Invitational;
2. Overseeing and liaising with the host Chapter with respect to preparations of the grounds to be used for Invitational events so that the grounds are adequately prepared prior to the relevant Invitational and consistent with the Aims and Rules and any requirements established by the Executive Council for the relevant Invitational; and
3. Coordinating setup of Invitational events so as to be ready prior to the Judges' meeting and handler walk through on the day before the opening day of an Invitational.

This committee to be staffed by a majority of previously qualified Invitational Judges as well as non-judges as selected by the Executive Council with input from the Judging and Testing Committee.

### LIST OF THE REASONS OR RATIONALE SUPPORTING THE ABOVE MOTION:

To have a clearly defined group of Judges and non-judges that has the responsibility for grounds preparation and event setup so that the grounds and events are prepared and setup consistent with the event descriptions that have been previously communicated to the Invitational handlers.

To lessen the chance of surprise elements being introduced into the Invitational test and to present a fair testing opportunity to the dogs and handlers given that training is not allowed on Invitational grounds after May 1st.

To give the host committee clear and consistent guidance and to improve an open line of communication with the host committee and the international organization.

I certify that this motion was adopted by the Delaware Valley Chapter, in accordance with its bylaws and/or operating procedure.

Geoffrey D. Ferrer

Chapter Office Name (printed)

Chapter Officer Signature

Secretary

Title

October 27, 2022

Date Submitted

AFTER THIS FORM HAS BEEN COMPLETED, PLEASE SUBMIT IT (AND ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS) TO THE NAVHDA INTERNATIONAL OFFICE BY EITHER:

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