Get ready!

The 2022 MAI will be held in Sedalia Missouri.

May 15, 2022

Dog to the line Sunday 8:00 am

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Keep checking the MARC website as we will be adding information on a monthly basis.

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As the country returns to normal, our wish is for everyone to stay safe and healthy!

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If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your regional Directors.
We are working to speed up our response to each new member.

Thank you for your patience!



2021 Q2 Newsletter

From the desk of the President – Well, we did it! Two successful Invitationals three weeks apart! I would like to express my gratitude to all of the members of MARC who participated in one or both of these events. Everyone who ran these volunteered their time to work in the field multiple times and in doing so guaranteed the success we all experienced. Thank you all for making it work as well as it did. The future of our organization is bright because of your active participation. Now, on to Sedalia in May of next year.

Fred Nusbickel, President



From the Eastern Region – Thank you to everyone who made the 2021 Emporia Invitational a huge success! From the Steve Ferguson family, the Board of Directors, the outstanding group of workers, the judges, the handlers and all the way to our fabulous dogs, thank you so much! The grounds were all they were said to be – AWESOME! Our judges made the week fun. Yes, the tests were challenging, but the judges reminded us to have fun and we did! Congratulations to the teams who qualified. We are proud of you!

Mark Frederick, Director Eastern Region Larry Blasbalg, Vice President Eastern Region



From the Western Region - Those of you who were able to attend enjoyed a fun, successful Invitational in Corning this Spring. One of our judges, Jeff Bundy, is now the West Central Director. Also, Laura Judd completed her second term in office as Vice President of the Western Region. Our marshal at the Invitational, Rhonda Reed has taken office as Vice President. She brings a broad wildlife management skill set to the board in addition to her talents training dogs. Many are already qualified for the 2022 Invitational, to be held in Sedalia, MO, in May, 2022. The qualification period goes through February 28, 2022. We hope to see those of you who attended this year again and others should have time to get those 4 passes to qualify. Our club continues to mature and grow, we have been changing the details of how we track qualifications and the website management. Please try to be patient as these are all efforts at improvement, which sometimes cause data hiccups along the way. Our treasurer resigned so we need help there. If you have an interest in serving on the board in the future, please consider helping now, especially if you have a skill set in finance or accounting. Have a great summer and be well. Enjoy those incredible athletes that we have the privilege of calling our dogs

Ted de Looze, Director, Western Region Rhonda Reed, Vice President, Western Region

From the Central Region: Congratulations to all those that qualified at the MARC invitationals in Emporia and Corning!! Hope everyone is doing well and on their way to

qualifying for the 2022 MARC invitational. Look forward to seeing everyone at the weekend hunt tests as things seem to be getting back to normal.

I would like to thank everyone for their support and understanding with some issues we have had getting the membership list and packets updated. The board/committee members of MARC have been working hard to pull off two national events this spring so we have struggled with some aspects of the club. However, both events are now complete and we will be working to get all the issues resolved. Again, thank you for your patience and understanding. Take care and stay well!!

Wilson Lejeune, Director, Central Region Beth Gerdes, Vice President, Central Region

From the West Central Region - Hello! David and I would like to congratulate all the handlers from the West Central region that competed and qualified their dogs at the invitationals. We are proud of you and your accomplishments. We would also like to thank Charles Pugh for his dedication to the Master Amateur with his service as director. We appreciate everything you have done for the MARC and wish you best of luck in your new role with the Master National.

I would like to introduce myself to those of you who do not know me. My name is Jeff Bundy and am the director for the West Central region. I reside in Omaha and have been involved in the retriever game for 20 years.

We hope everyone has a productive rest of your summer and we look forward to seeing you at the next weekend event and in Sedalia in May!

Jeff Bundy, West Central Director

David Christianson, West Central Vice President

Beth and Boogie will need all of us to step up to the plate for next year's MAI. With the MAI in a central location, we expect our numbers at the event to be higher than they've ever been! They will need equipment teams, gun captains, hospitality leads, head marshals, safety and traffic leads. Even if you've never held one of these positions, we will help you learn.

As my Dad always said, "Hard work is good for the soul."

(Of course, back then I thought he was crazy)

As the Central team begins their plans, send them an email letting them know you're ready.

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Put me in coach!



Great memories from Corning and Emporia-



End of a successful two weeks in Emporia! Seven Wisconsin handlers and their adopted Californian!



Thanks Dad, I had a really good time!



Come on guys! Join the MARC! I'm going to be ready to run Sedalia

in 2022!

Thanks Laura for keeping your eye on the prize for two years!!!









I tried laying in the grass. The view is much better from here!!

Our Top-Notch Equipment team hard at work!

"If you don't practice you don't deserve to win." - Andre Agassi

Get out there and train! Sedalia is only 11 months away!!!

Renew Your Membership Today!

https://www.masteramateur.com/memberoptions20.html

Your membership must be current at the time of the hunt test at which any qualifying pass is earned.

If you miss the renewal period this will effect your ability to enter the Invitational.

Questions? Contact your Region Director

PLEASE NOTE Any amateur passes earned without an active MARC membership <u>WILL NOT</u> count toward qualification for the Invitational

As Ted pointed out – we are in need of someone to fill the role of Treasurer.

If you have that skill set, please entertain the idea of volunteering.

The club needs you!



We cannot do this without them! Please support our sponsors!!!



"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure."

-Colin Powell

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Baver