

The Sunpoke Hunting Retriever Club was formed in 1984 by a handful of hunters and retriever enthusiasts who wanted to train their own gun dogs and promote the use of dogs as a conservation tool for hunting. Since its inception, the club has grown to become one of the largest retriever clubs in Eastern Canada and has worked hard in the education and promotion of retrievers by organizing training sessions and field days and by participating in demonstrations in sport and recreation shows. The club members were interested in testing the ability of their retrievers and therefore began hosting Licensed Hunt Tests and Field Trials.

## **LOCATION**

Fredericton, as the host city, has much to offer in the way of entertainment and participants shall find that we can provide them with anything that they may need.

The airport is only minutes from the city center and there are ample hotel and camping accommodations.

The proposed Headquarters will be the Ramada in Fredericton situated on the Trans-Canada Highway offering participants excellent services including a restaurant, an indoor pool, hot tub, fitness center, wireless internet, in-room coffee and is DOG FRIENDLY.

The Headquarters will be within 45 minutes of driving time from all

TRIAL GROUNDS.

The majority of the trial will be held in Ripples & Minto, New Brunswick on reclaimed mining areas and the hundreds of ponds created as a result of strip mining in the area. We will also use Sunpoke's own 35 acre pond area called the Avon Cut with an additional 80-90 acres of leased Crown Land behind the cut.

## WEATHER

In this region of New Brunswick, you can expect average daytime temperatures of 15 to 20 degrees Celsius with the average evening temperatures of 4 to 7 degrees Celsius. The normal weekly rainfall for this time of year is 10 to 20 millimeters with winds usually out of the Southwest at about 15 kilometers per hour.

## ENTERTAINMENT

The plans are underway to provide participants with a wide range of evening events as has been provided in past National Championships but we plan to add our own brand of Maritime Hospitality Entertainment and fun activities are also being planned for the families of participants.

Just a few thing happening in the city of Fredericton, the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz & Blues Festival, and a bluegrass festival are being held during the same week as our National and we're sure there will be plenty of other things to see and do as well.

### PRETRIAL TRAINING GROUNDS

Sites have been selected and prepared for those people wishing to train prior to the event on grounds similar to those that will be used at the event. Pretrial training areas will be posted on Sunday, August 31, 2008. Training birds shall be made available for training at a small cost.

# AUTOMOBILE RENTALS (from the Greater Fredericton Airport Authority, Fredericton, NB)

Avis Rent A Car	1-800-879-2847/506-446-6006
Budget Car & Truck Rental	1-800-268-8900/506-446-7123
Hertz Rent A Car	1-800-263-0600/506-446-9079
National Car & Truck Rental	1-800-387-4747/506-446-4105

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Ramada (Headquarters) 1-800-596-4656/506-460-5507 (Please book by August 15/08 to guarantee a room)

Norfolk Motel 1-800-686-8555/506-472-3278 (Please book by August 15/08) 5 minutes from Headquarters

Casey's Campground 506-357-8592 (Please book spot by August 3/08) (about 15 minutes from Headquarters)

As time gets closer, we will have a few more hotels & campgrounds listed. They will be included in your invitation.