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Welcome!



Welcome to the Mission Valley!

Congratulations on Qualifying and competing in the 2019 National Amateur. We plan on providing you with an atmosphere that will allow you and your dog to compete at the highest level. We have excellent judges, fields trial grounds and a dedicated TEAM. Thank you!

This booklet will outline your pre-National and National Training Grounds and Test Sites. I want to thank Alice Woodyard – Editor, Xan Latta – Advertising Editor and Tina Styan of Retriever News for their many hours of work. Thank you to our Sponsors, local businesses, and landowners who have supported this event.

An extra special thanks must go to our local businesses who provided equipment for use at the event: St. Luke Community Healthcare for the use of a defibrillator, Montana Power Products for the use of ATV's and Don Aadsen Ford for the use of a vehicle for the Judges.

We sincerely want this to be an exciting, fun-filled adventure you can remember for a lifetime.

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Sincerely,

Cindy Howard

Cindy Howard
Chairman, 2019 National Amateur Retriever Championship

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Schedule of Events

COCKTAIL PARTY:

Friday, June 14, 2019

6:30 pm, Red Lion Inn & Suites, 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT 59860

Cocktail attire for the ladies, jackets for the gentlemen

DOUBLE HEADER WINNERS' PARTY:

Sunday, June 16, 2019

6:30 to 8:30 pm – Dave and Laura Morrison's home

40374 Robertson Road, Ronan, MT 59864

Dinner Cost \$25. Contact Laura Morrison: 208-938-5565, mtflyfish@msn.com

WORKERS' PARTY:

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

6:30 pm – Ronan Community Center

300 3rd Avenue NW, Ronan, MT 59864

WINNER'S PARTY:

Saturday, June 22, 2019 – At Conclusion of National

Ninepipes Lodge

69286 US-93, Charlo, MT 59824

MEETINGS:

Friday, June 14, 2019

8:00 am – NARC Officers – Red Lion Inn & Suites

Merchandise (hats and handler jackets) available throughout the day

11:00 am – Field Trial Committee and Judges – Red Lion Inn & Suites

2:00 pm – Retriever Advisory Committee – Polson High School Gym

3:00 pm – NARC Annual Meeting – Polson High School Gym

**At conclusion of Annual Meeting any additional committee meetings will be held at the Polson High School Gymnasium.

LABRADOR RETRIEVER CLUB CONFORMATION CERTIFICATE:

At conclusion of General Meeting outside at the Polson High School Gymnasium

BITCH CHECK: Bitch Check immediately following the General Meeting at the Polson High School Gymnasium parking lot.

Thank You to Our Landowners

Our deepest gratitude to the following landowners who have generously made their Mission Valley properties available for the testing and pre-National training of the retrievers competing in the 2019 National Amateur Retriever Championship:

Tim Averett, Greg & Cynean Bartlett, Jim & Shonene Garrison,
Breck & Cindy Howard, Rich & Leigh Larson, Bill McKnight & Chris Anderson,
Dennis & Diann Miller, David & Laura Morrison, George & Nancy Murillo, Lynn Nelson,
Luann Pleasant, Judy Rasmuson, Don Remien, The Richardson Family,
Gary Snodgrass & Carol Millette-Snodgrass, Russ Stewart & Florence Sloane,
The Van Voast Family, The Western Montana Retriever Club and Alice Woodyard.



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The Cantina grill is located 2.5 miles west of Ronan on Round Butte Road in the Mission Mountain Golf Club House. Open 11 am to 8 pm Daily. Full Bar & Liquor License.



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www.stlukehealthcare.org
406-676-4441

Veterinarian:

Southshore Veterinary Service
Dr. Deb Caldwell-Skow
35768 South Hills Dr, Polson, MT 59860
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Emergency Response Coordinator:

Breck Howard – 406-546-7302 – cyn4417@msn.com

Training Site Draw Information

Headquarters are located in the Host Hotel, the Red Lion Inn & Suites in Polson.

NARC training sites are listed in the 2019 National Amateur Training Grounds Directory.

Drawing for use of NARC training sites on the following day will take place at Headquarters each evening at 6:00 pm starting June 9 and continuing through June 13.

Each training group desiring to draw a NARC training site for use on the following day must have a representative at the draw no later than 6:00 pm. Representatives need to check in with the person conducting the draw that evening.

Representatives shall draw numbers by lot and select their NARC training sites for the next day in the order of their draw numbers.

Regardless of their draw number, a representative cannot select the same NARC training site that their group selected or used on any previous day between June 10 and June 13 unless no one at the draw wants that site.

Any training group or individual having access to use a non-NARC property for training between June 10 and June 14 may not use a NARC training site for the day they have access to a non-NARC property. Each representative at the draw is responsible for being aware of the access that their training group may have.

Once the trial starts on Saturday, June 15, most but not all NARC training sites are open for use by drop-in NARC trainers on a first come first served basis. Check the individual property pages in the Training Grounds Directory for exceptions.

If there are modifications to any of the above they will be announced at the draw and posted at Headquarters on the information bulletin board.

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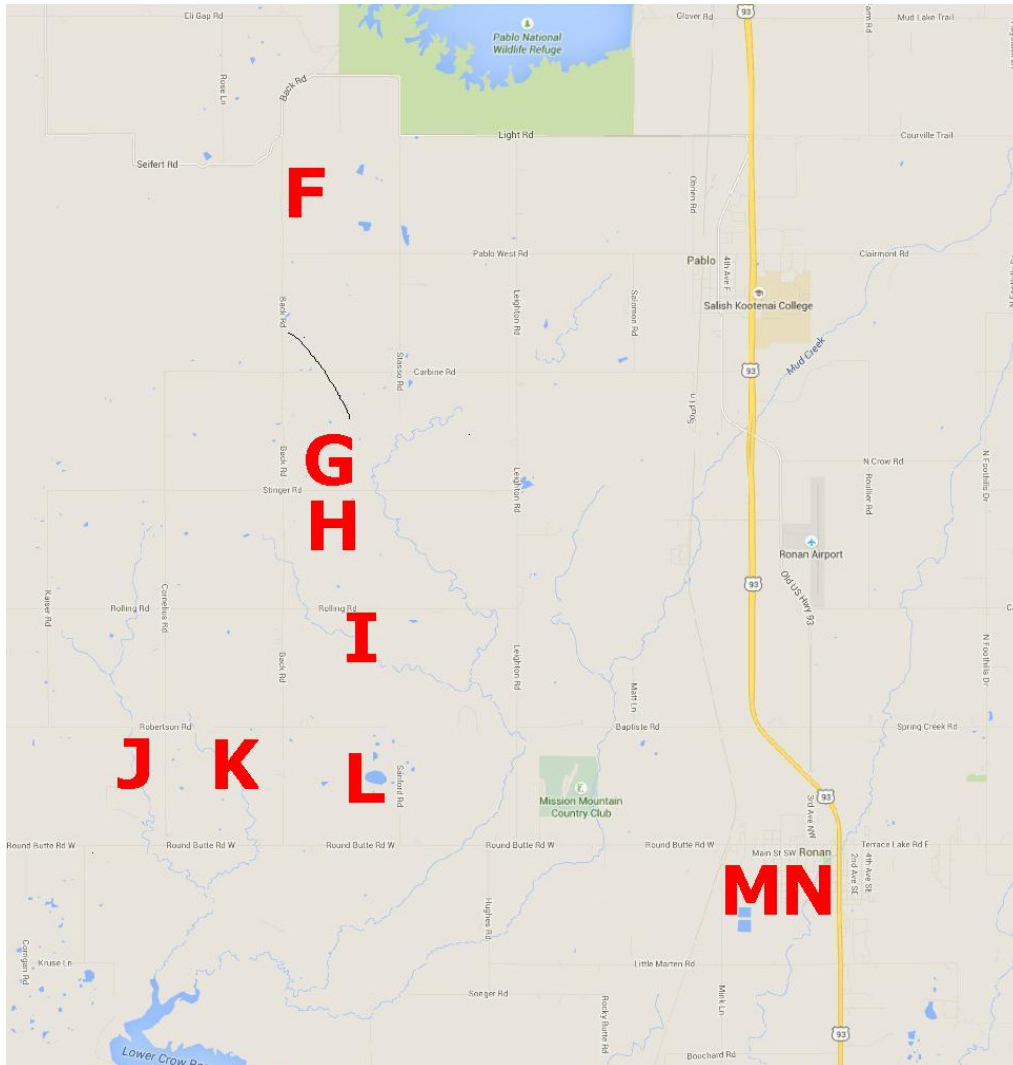
(Polson and Surrounding Area)



- A. TRAINING AREA 1 (multiple sites)
Irving Flats Road and Hwy 93
Entrance to Van Voast Farm & Big Sky Sporting Clays
- B. COMMUNITY INFORMATION
Polson Chamber of Commerce
402-1st Street East, Suite 102, Polson, MT 59860
www.polsonchamber.com | 406-883-5969
- C. FRIDAY AFTERNOON MEETINGS & BITCH CHECK
Polson High School
111-4th Avenue East, Polson, MT 58860
www.polson.k12.mt.us/phs | 406-883-6351
- D. HEADQUARTERS & HOST HOTEL
Red Lion Inn & Suites
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www.redlion.com/mt/polson/red-lion-inn-suites-polson | 406-872-2200
- E. OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN
Southshore Veterinary Service
Dr. Deb Caldwell-Skow
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www.southshorevet.com | 406-883-5229

Central Area Map

(Ronan and Surrounding Area)



F. TRAINING AREAS 2a & 2b
Retrieverland

H. TRAINING AREA 3
Alice's 40

J. TEST SITE 2 & TRAINING BIRD PICK-UP
Valhalla

K. DOUBLE HEADER WINNERS' PARTY
Home of David & Laura Morrison
40374 Robertson Road, Ronan, MT
Laura Morrison -- 208-938-5565

M. AREA HOSPITAL
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G. TEST SITE 1
Libertyville

I. TRAINING AREA 4
BravHart Retrievers

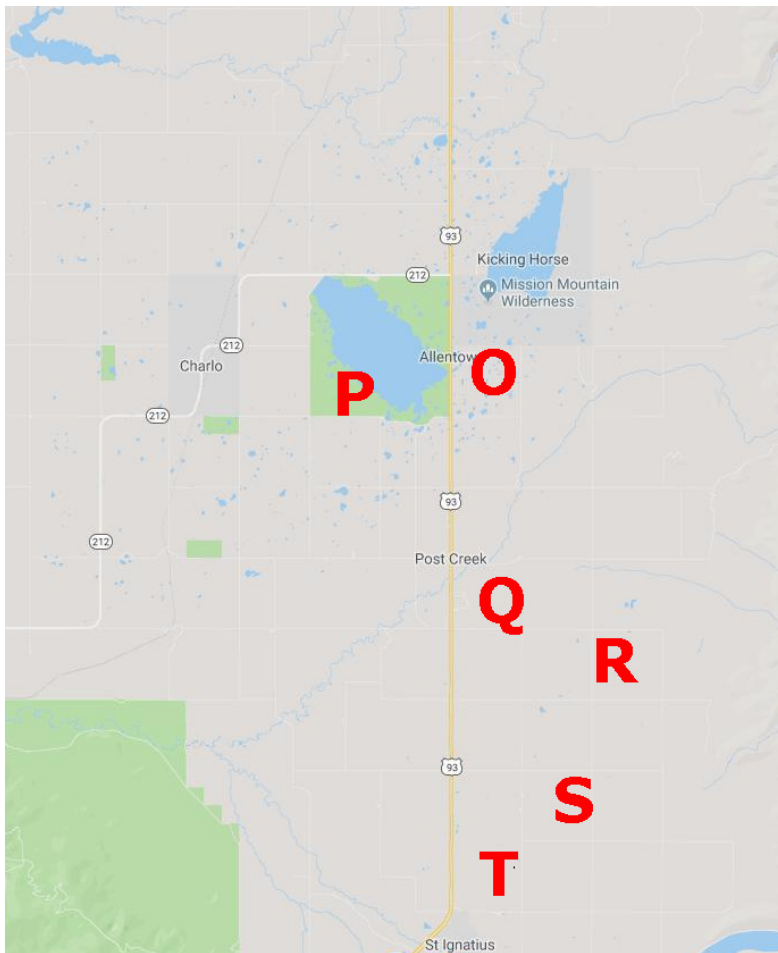
K. TRAINING AREA 5
Three Dog Creek

L. TEST SITES 3 & 4
Freedom & Patriot Fields

N. WORKERS' PARTY
Ronan Community Center
300-3rd Ave NW, Ronan, MT 59864
406-676-4271

South Area Map

(St. Ignatius & Charlo with Surrounding Area, and Missoula)



- O. WINNER'S PARTY
Ninepipes Lodge
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- P. TRAINING AREA 6
Whistling Wings Ranch
- Q. TRAINING AREA 7
Miller's Place
- R. TEST SITES 5 & 6
Bear Ranch & Averett's Place
- S. TRAINING AREA 8
Legacy Retrievers
- T. TRAINING AREA 9
Rising Sun Retrievers
- U. TRAINING AREA 10
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Training Properties



A HUGE thank you to the landowners who have opened their ranches and training properties for pre-national training. Please be respectful and careful with these properties.

The pre-National draw arranges training properties from Monday June 10 through Friday June 14. During the trial (June 15 through June 21) most of the properties are available for drop-in use by National trainers (first come first served). Exceptions are noted on individual property pages.

Training properties are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and ATV use is allowed.

Please observe the following courtesies when using these properties.

- ***SAFE SHOOTING AT ALL TIMES!***
- Please drive slowly on gravel roads to minimize dust for our neighbors.
- Speed limit on training properties is 4 mph past buildings and homes.
- Fill holes that staked-out dogs dig. Please carry rake and shovel.
- Drive and park vehicles where they will not make ruts.
- Please control barking – landowners have neighbors!
- Pick up trash including your empty shells.
- Leave gates as you find them.

Training Bird pick up and disposal is at Valhalla (Test Site 2). North gate.

Training Properties ~ listed from north to south

NOTE: All sites have both land and water except some of the Van Voast Farms & Big Sky Sporting Clays sites, which are land only.

- 1 (multi) Van Voast Farms & Big Sky Sporting Clays** (*Van Voast family*)
- 2a & 2b Retrieverland** (*Judy Rasmuson; Duncan Christie, manager*)
- 3 Alice's 40** (*Alice Woodyard*)
- 4 BravHart Retrievers** (*Gary Snodgrass & Carol Millette-Snodgrass*)
- 5 Three Dog Creek** (*David Morrison, Lynn Nelson, Florence Sloane*)
- 6 Whistling Wings Ranch** (*Rich & Leigh Larson*)
- 7 Miller's Place** (*Dennis & Diann Miller*)
- 8 Legacy Retrievers** (*Greg & Cynean Bartlett*)
- 9 Rising Sun Retrievers** (*Don Remien*)
- 10 Western Montana Retriever Club Grounds** (*Jim Buckley, contact*)

Training Area 1 (*multiple sites*)

Van Voast Farms & Big Sky Sporting Clays

Property:

Van Voast Farms & Big Sky Sporting Clays
(Van Voast Family)

Street address:

42295 Irvine Flats Road
Polson, MT 59860

Site identification:

Numbering of sites and identification of which have water takes place at the draw.

Special requests:

No cars or trucks in fields to prevent soil compaction because Van Voast Farms relies on No-till farming practices. ATV'S only in fields. Park only along the sides of roads. Due to fire danger, no parking over dry grass or in fallow areas.

This property is not available after the trial starts.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn left on US Hwy 93, go 3.3 miles.

Turn left on Irving Flats Road. Proceed on Irving Flats Road into the property.
NARC Training Site signs will direct to the individual training sites.



Training Sites 2a & 2b

Retrieverland

Property:

Retrieverland
(Judy Rasmuson, Duncan Christie manager)

Physical (street) address:

40995 Paulson Lane
Polson, MT 59860

Special requests:

Do not use the physical address on Paulson Lane for access.

Follow directions below and enter only at the Back Road or Stasso gates.
No shooting near physical address on Paulson Lane (neighbor concern).

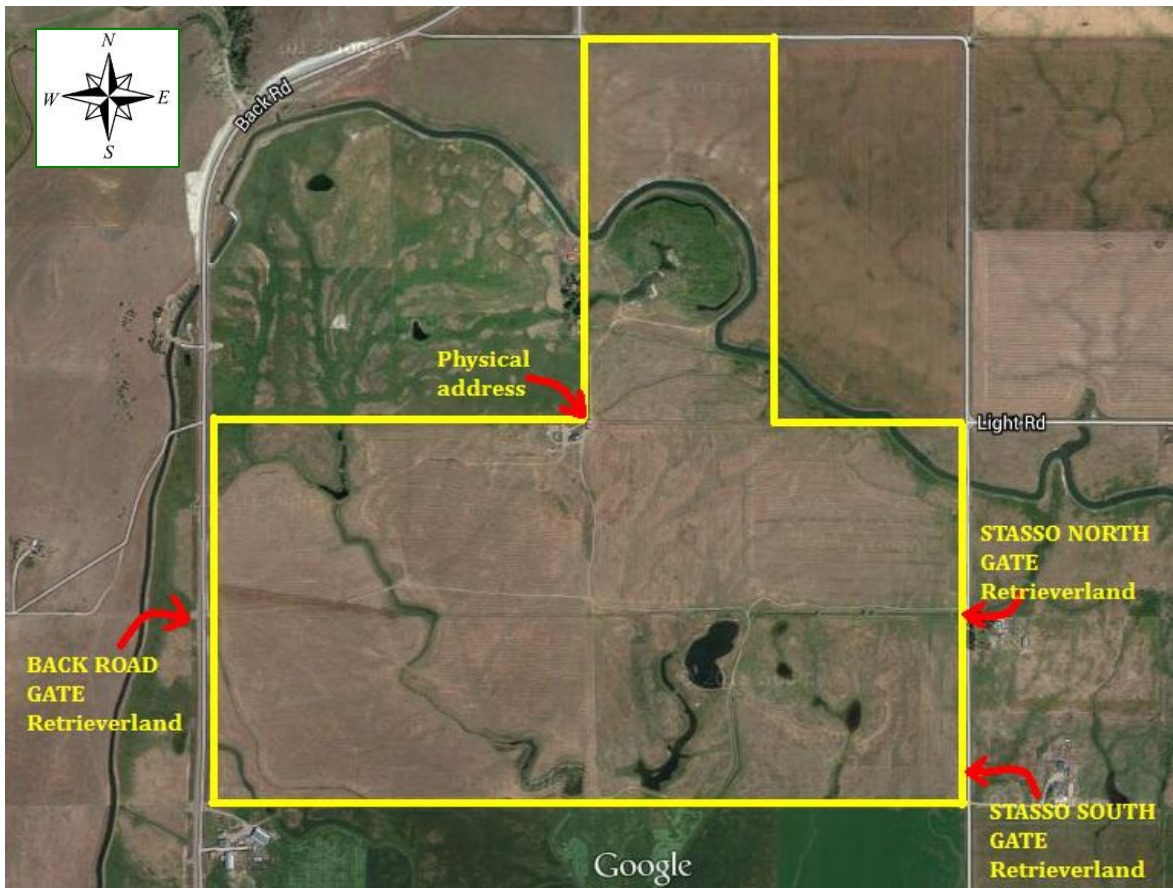
Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 3.2 miles.

Turn right on N Reservoir Rd., go 3.6 miles.

Turn left on Back Rd., go 2.5 miles to the Back Road gate on your left.

For Stasso gates, continue 0.7 mile south to Pablo West Road and turn left. Go 1 mile. Turn left on Stasso Road. Proceed on Stasso watching for gates on your left. NARC Training Site signs will direct you to Training Sites 2a and 2b.



Training Area 3

Alice's 40

Property:

Alice's 40 (Alice Woodyard)

Street address:

40169 Stinger Road, Ronan, MT 59864

Special requests:

Please use the east gate rather than the gate by the house.

This property is not available after the trial starts.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 3.2 miles.

Turn right on N Reservoir Rd., go 3.6 miles.

Turn left on Back Rd., go 5.5 miles.

Turn left on Stinger Rd., go 0.4 miles to entrance gate on your right.

Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 4

BravHart Retrievers

Property:

BravHart Retrievers (Gary Snodgrass & Carol Millette-Snodgrass)

Street address:

39440 Rolling Road, Ronan, MT 59864

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

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Turn right on N Reservoir Rd., go 3.6 miles.

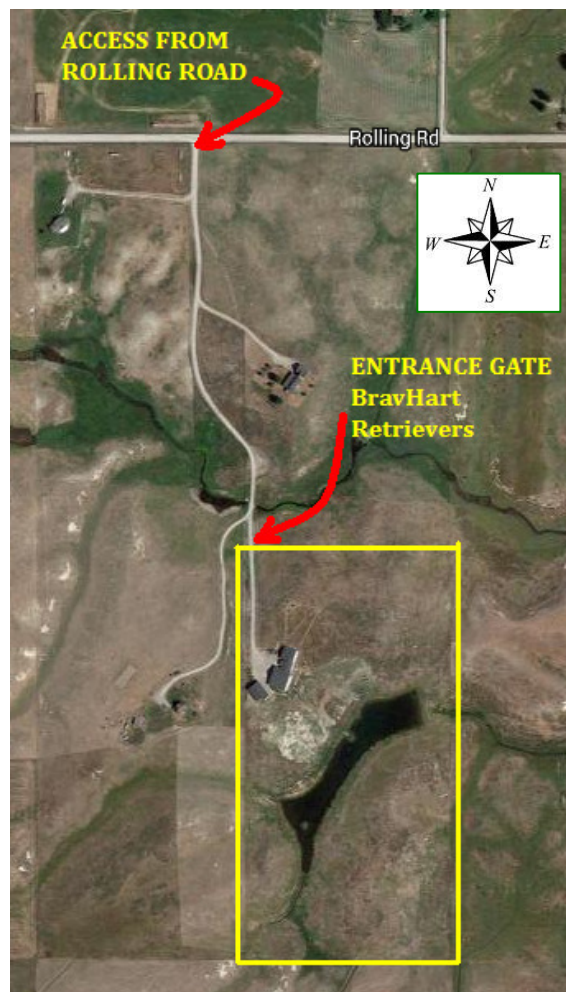
Turn left on Back Rd., go 6.5 miles.

Turn left on Rolling Rd., go 0.4 mile.

Turn right on private road (gravel) just before mailboxes.

Pass white house on left, go to bottom of hill and take the left-hand fork.

Proceed through gate then uphill toward wood-colored house with green roof. Drive to top of hill. Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 5

Three Dog Creek

Property:

Three Dog Creek (David & Laura Morrison,
Lynn Nelson, Russ Stewart & Florence Sloane)

Street address:

40374 Robertson Rd., Ronan, MT
59864

Special requests:

Do not drive cars or trucks across the dam (ATV's okay)

After the trial starts this property is only available by arrangement—no drop-in's.
Contact Lynn Nelson 760-644-1073 if you wish to use this property during the trial.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 3.2 miles.

Turn right on N Reservoir Rd., go 3.6 miles.

Turn left on Back Rd., go 7.5 miles.

Turn right on Robertson Rd., go 0.4 miles and turn left at the access from Robertson Rd. Proceed to property entrance. Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 6

Whistling Wings Ranch

Property:

Whistling Wings Ranch (Rich & Leigh Larson)

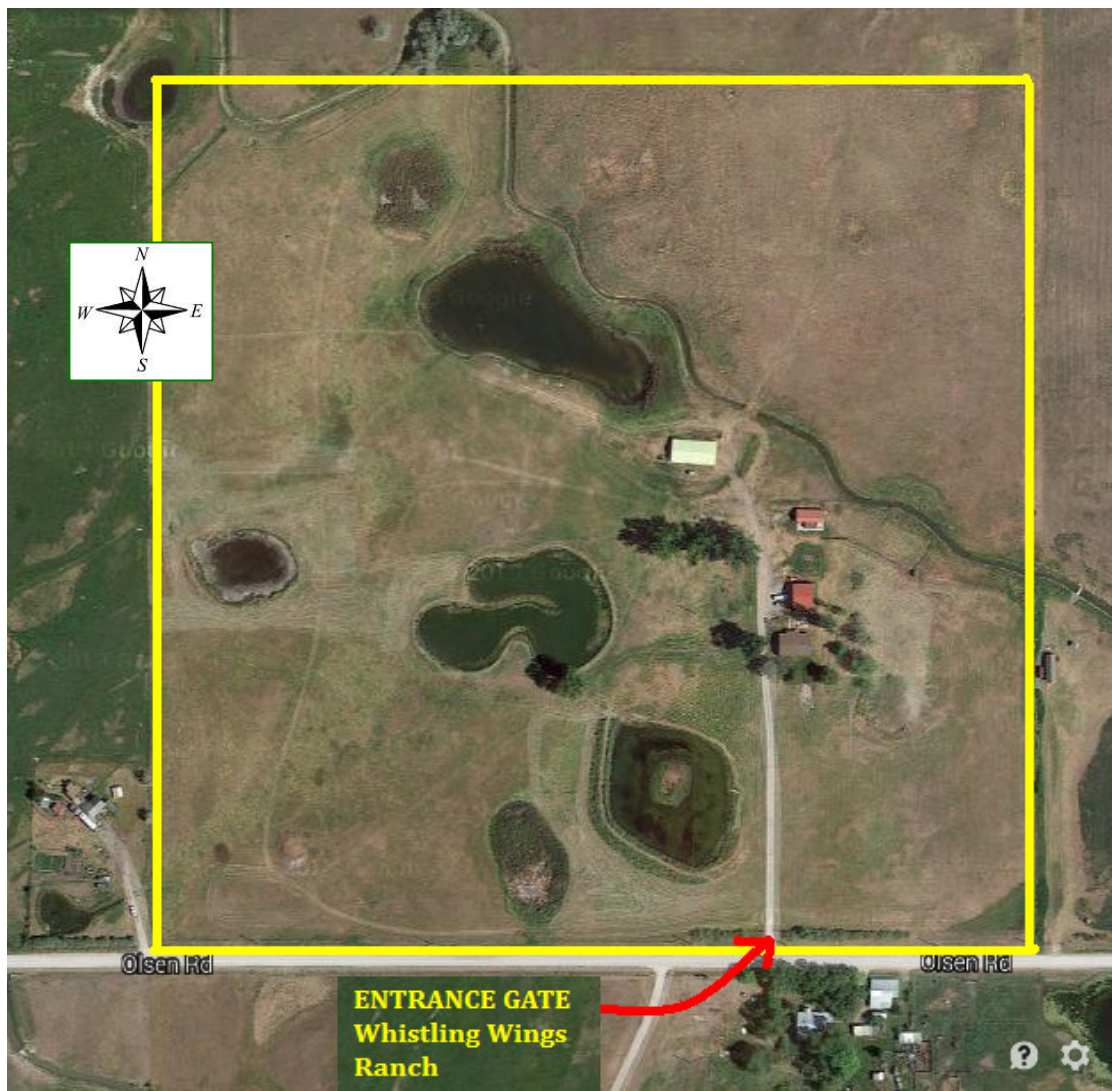
Street address:

1394 Olsen Rd., Charlo, MT 59824

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 19 miles.

Turn right on Olsen Road (blinking light at this intersection), go 0.4 mile and bear right to stay on Olsen Road. Go 1.1 more mile on Olsen Road to entrance gate on your right. Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 7

Miller's Place

Property:

Miller's Place (Dennis & Diann Miller)

Street address:

56899 Pope Lane, St. Ignatius, MT 59865

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 22 miles.

Turn left on Red Horn Road. Go 0.7 mile.

Turn left on Pope Lane (sign is low and hard to spot). Go 0.2 mile to bear left following the driveway into the property. Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



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Training Area 8

Legacy Retrievers

Property:

Legacy Retrievers
(Greg & Cynean Bartlett)

Street address:

59533 Hillside Rd., St. Ignatius, MT 59865

Note: Ponds are full although appear dry in satellite photo!

Special requests:

After the trial starts, this property is only available by arrangement—no drop-in's. Contact Cynean Bartlett 509-290-1985 if you wish to use this property during the trial.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 24 miles.
Turn left on Lemery Rd., go 2.0 miles.
Turn right on Hillside Rd., go 0.4 miles.
Turn right into entrance gate on your right.
Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 9

Rising Sun Retrievers

Property:

Rising Sun Retrievers
(Don Remien)

Street address:

Watson Road, St. Ignatius, MT. No house number.
Gate GPS is: N 47.33457 ° W 114.07555 °

Special requests:

If it is wet stay on the roads. Use common sense on where you drive and park.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 25 miles.

Take the left exit for Main Street (airport icon sign here).

Go 700 feet and turn left on St. Ignatius Airport Road.

Go 1.0 mile and turn left on Watson.

Go 0.5 mile to gate on your left. Watch for NARC Training Site signs.



Training Area 10

Western Montana Retriever Club Grounds

Property:

Western Montana Retriever Club
(Jim Buckley, contact)

Street address:

No street number. Property is next door to 4915
Lower Miller Creek Rd, Missoula, MT 59803

Special requests:

Gate kept locked. Before arriving contact Jim Buckley at 406-240-3833 for entry.
No live is flyer stations in the front field or near the public road.
Dry camping is available on these grounds. Get details from Jim if interested.
This property is not available after the trial starts.

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT

Turn right on US Hwy 93, go 64 miles (cross over I-90 staying on US 93).
Turn right on N. Reserve St., go 4.3 miles. Turn right on Brooks St., go 0.6 miles.
Turn left on Miller Creek Rd., go 0.5 miles to a roundabout.
At the roundabout take the first exit onto Lower Miller Creek Rd. Go 0.7 miles to
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Test Sites



A HUGE thank you to the landowners who have made their properties available for the testing of the dogs competing in the 2019 National Amateur Retriever Championship.

Please follow the directions of the committee workers while attending this event and be respectful and careful with these properties.

Test Sites ~ listed from north to south

- 1 Libertyville** (*Bill McKnight & Chris Anderson*)
- 2 Valhalla** (*Judy Rasmuson*)
- 3 Patriot Fields** (*Luann Pleasant and Jim & Shon Garrison*)
- 4 Freedom Fields** (*Luann Pleasant, the Richardson Family, and George & Nancy Murillo*)
Site 3 & 4 information is combined on one page.
- 5 Averett's Place** (*Tim Averett*)
- 6 Bear Ranch** (*Breck & Cindy Howard*)
Site 5 & 6 information is combined on one page.

Driving in the Mission Valley countryside:

- Be aware that some roads in the Mission Valley area have no street signs. Many are section roads so are one mile apart, which helps with locating them.
- Please drive slowly on gravel roads to minimize dust for our neighbors.
- The speed limit on Mission Valley country roads is 35 mph unless otherwise posted.

Test Site 1

Libertyville

Property:

Libertyville
(Bill McKnight & Chris Anderson)

Street address:

39575 Stinger Road, Ronan MT 59864

Directions from Host Hotel at 209 Ridgewater Drive, Polson, MT:

Turn right on Hwy 93, go 3.2 miles.

Turn right on N Reservoir Rd., go 3.6 miles.

Turn left on Back Rd., go 5.5 miles.

Turn left on Stinger Rd., go 0.4 miles to main entrance on your left, and follow NARC Test Site signs to the entrance being used.



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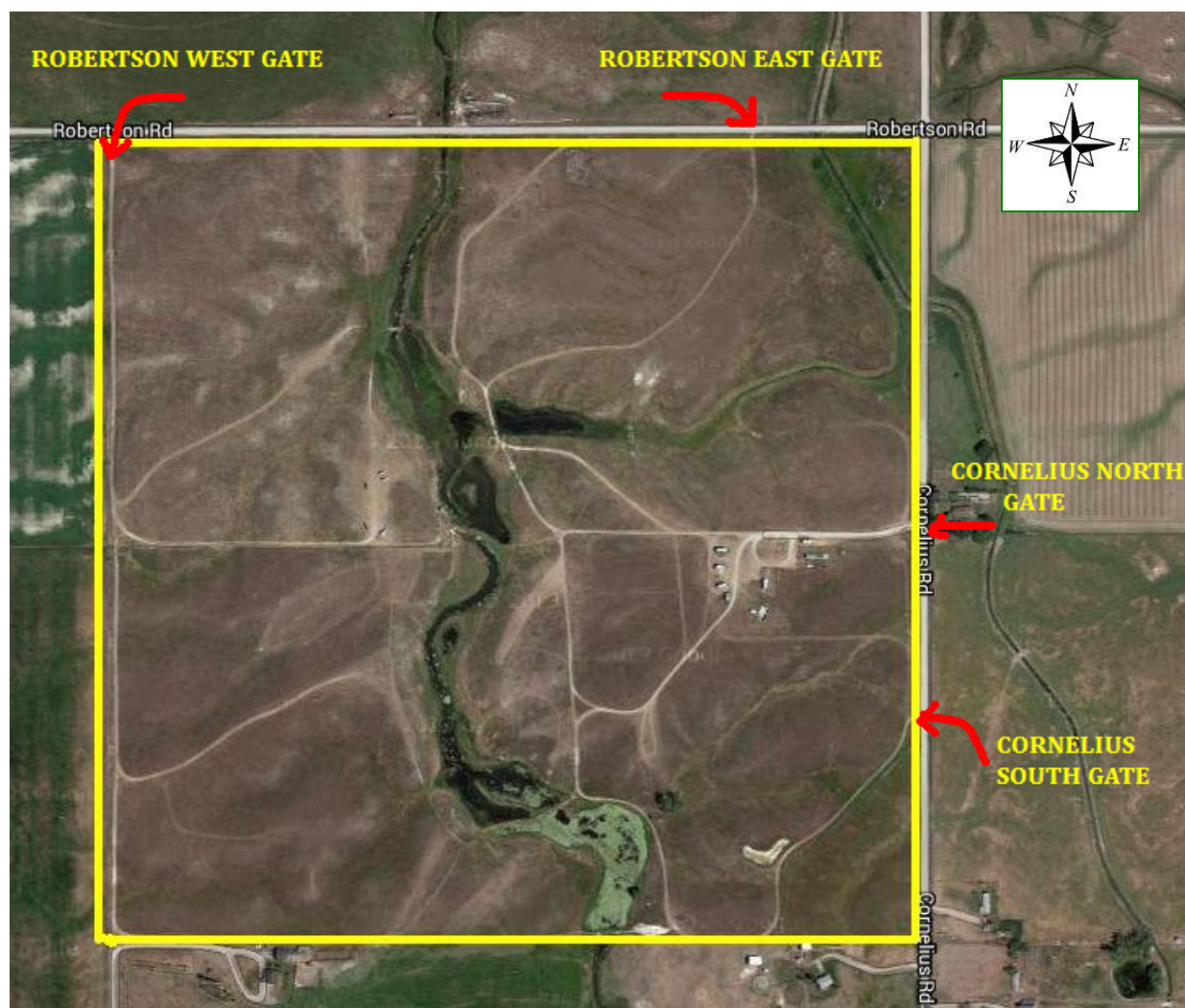
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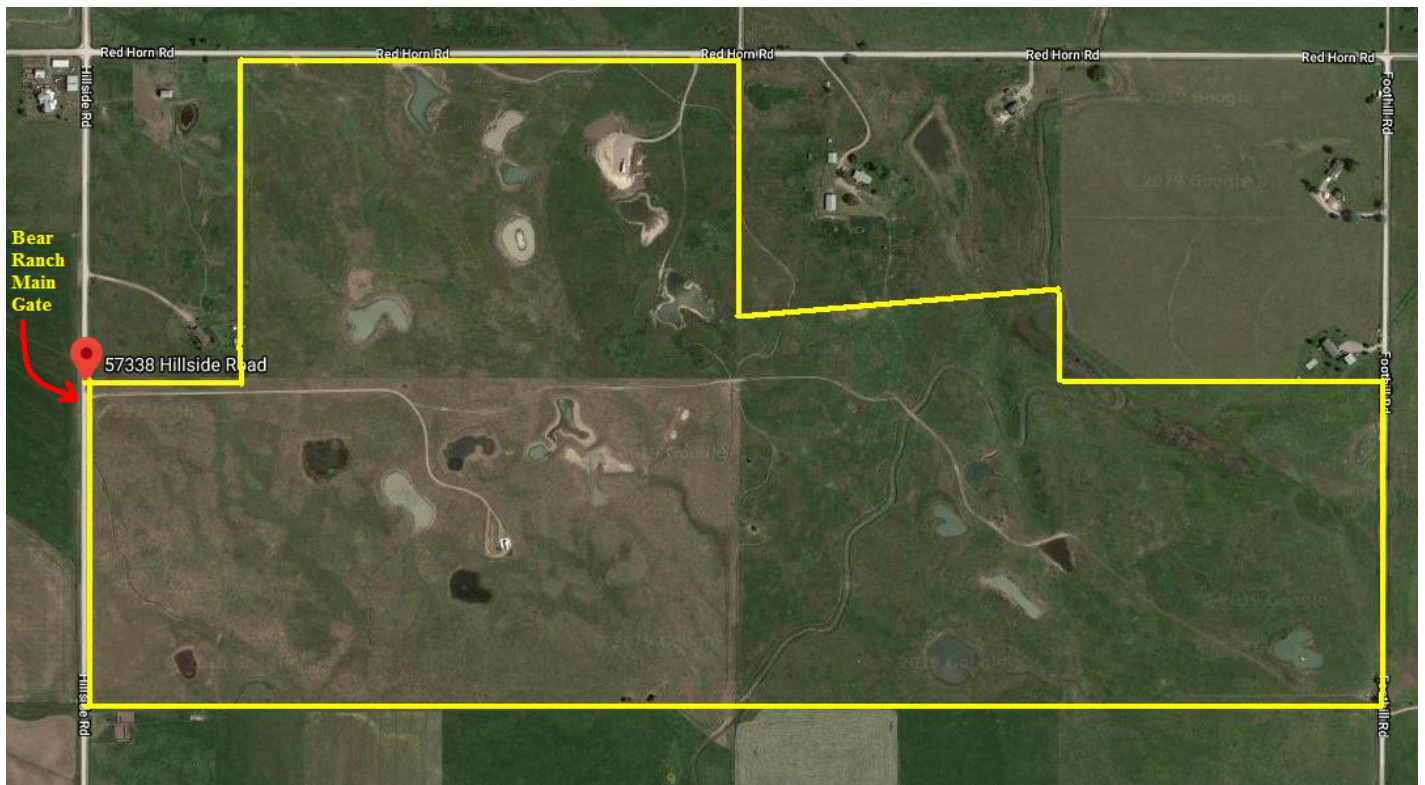
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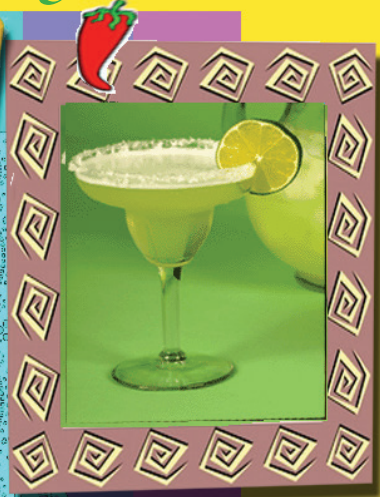
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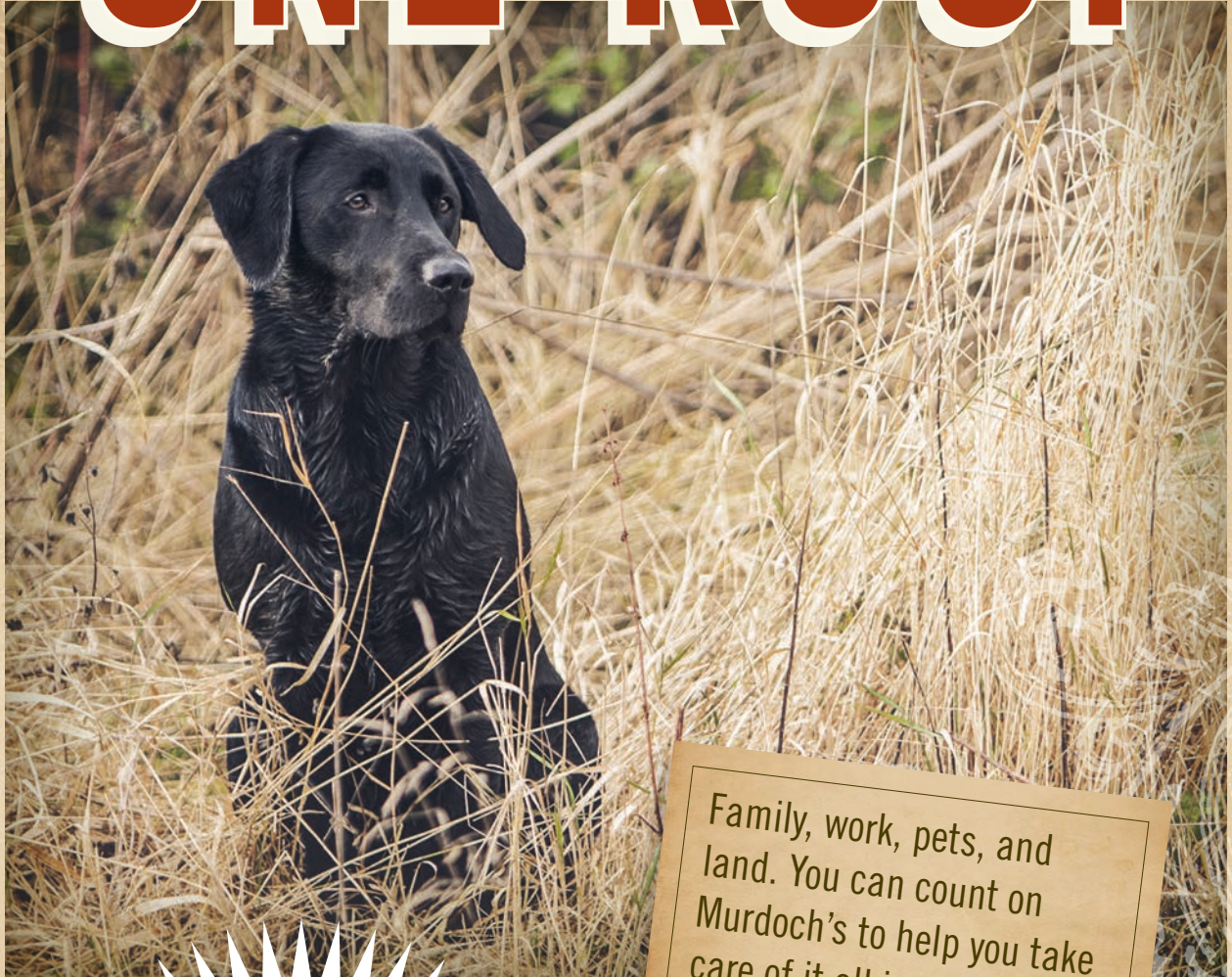
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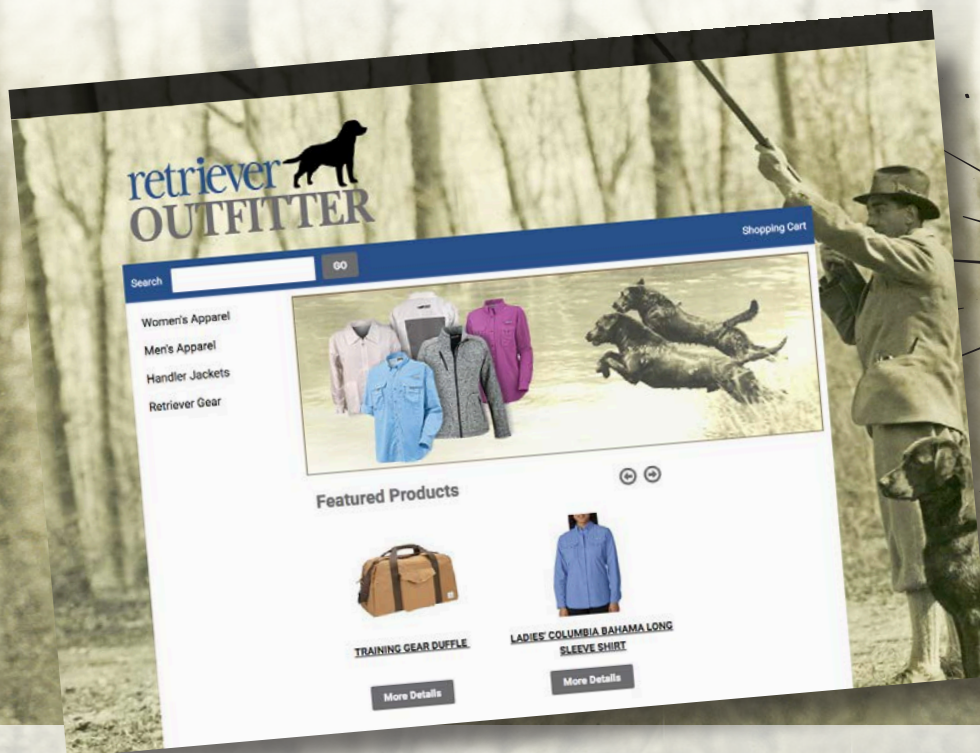
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