

February, 2021

Dear Members and Friends of the CFNA Rocky Mountain chapter. Another testing season is upon us.

The 2021 CFNA Rocky Mountain chapter test and seminar will take place Wednesday through Sunday March 24 - 28.

**Seminar:**

The **Seminar** will be held on Thursday, March 25 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Robert Milner, author of [Absolutely Positively Gun Dog Training](#) will be the speaker. He will be condensing his seminar into a 1-day program for our club that will include 6-8 pre-recorded 1 hr. segments. Attendees will learn valuable techniques for positive training to develop a young dog into a skilled hunter and family companion. This will be held in the conference room of the hotel via ZOOM on an 84" screen. Alternatively, you can watch this program on your own computer in your room or at home. The program link will be sent to members prior to the event. The seminar is free. More details will be forthcoming.

**Pre-test training:**

On Wednesday, March 24, there will be a **Puppy exposure/ pre-test training event** at the test grounds, for those interested. **This training event will be open to NA dogs only for this year.** The exposure day is to give handlers and dogs some additional help/training/acclimation to the test site/water work/bird contact prior to the test. It is an opportunity for members that have no access to open water for months before the test or have a dog that needs a brush up on tracking or water work, to practice one more time. This pretest training day costs **\$10.00**. Birds and one-on-one help will be available to handlers.

IHDT dogs/handlers can come to the site and work on their own, however.

**Testing:**

**Testing** will take place Friday – Saturday March 26-28, 2021 at Niagara Springs WMA located near Wendell, Idaho. See map for directions using this link:

<https://goo.gl/maps/RBg2JSw9y2eJ3CmU7>

If you are interested in participating in a test and/or the pre-test training event please e-mail your intention to [tawnaskinner@yahoo.com](mailto:tawnaskinner@yahoo.com) so that you can be informed about the upcoming details.

**Meals:**

**Lunches** will be available on the test grounds each day for a cost of \$8/person.

We will not be having a Saturday evening banquet this year due to COVID-19 restrictions, though we may gather in the hotel conference room on Saturday evening for social interaction and a “**Silent Auction**” fundraiser event. All other meals are on your own.

**Lodging:**

This year we will be lodging at the **Towne Place Suites, 175 Avenida Del Rio, Twin Falls, ID 83301**

## [Book your group rate for CFNA Rocky Mountain Chapter](#)

We have 40 rooms reserved at the TownePlace Suites

25- Double Queen rooms

15 - Kings

Every room has a kitchenette so you can bring your own food or buy out and bring in.

Room rate is \$84.00 plus tax per night and will be available from Tuesday March 23 until Sunday March 28. 10 rooms will be available at the same price for those desiring to stay through Monday March 29.

For those individuals that may be entering a dog for the Idaho test, I have included a **test entry and payment forms**. These forms are also available on our website [www.ceskyfousekna.org](http://www.ceskyfousekna.org). Please e-mail or mail your forms back to me as soon as possible so that sufficient birds are available for testing and scorecards, running orders, meals, volunteers, etc. are all lined up and ready for the event. My e-mail and mailing address are located at the bottom of this letter.

Test booklets, for those who have not run a dog in a test before or have lost previous copies, are available on request or can be obtained from our website. (see above).

**You must submit any and all registration forms and payments to me no later than March 5, 2021.** Submitting the registration information on time ensures that you and your dog will have a place in our test. Timely registration also helps out the volunteers that make our test run (record keeping, bird purchasing, food, etc.) Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to seeing you at the spring test. **Please make all checks to RM Chapter of CFNA.**

If you have not done so previously, via PayPal on our website ([www.ceskyfousekna.org](http://www.ceskyfousekna.org)), it is also that time of year for RM Chapter members to **mail in your dues of \$10 per household**. Thank you in advance for supporting our club.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me. When contacting me via e-mail please insert a relevant title in the subject line so that I know your e-mail is not junk-mail. We look forward to seeing you at the March test!

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