

# North Dakota Retriever Club Beyond Basics Class

This class will teach you skills and how to apply them for developing a dog over the long term.

These skills will not be complete in this course. You will be developing habits you will be using for years

	Drill Demonstration	Field Work Setup	Homework
*May 1 2021	Orientation (without dogs) - training grounds tour, retriever training equipment use and operation, the language of retriever training, developing the retrieving instinct, building a bold, confident retriever attitude. Self-paced retriever training DVDs and other resources will be available. Food & Beverages will be provided. Come and meet other enthusiasts.		
Weds May 5	Heel/here Wagon Wheel Pile work Collar discussion	Blind & Line manners  Walking Singles	Baseball pile work Push/Pull Wagon wheel Whistle sit Walking singles
Weds May 12	Swish blind (demo) Whistle sit Pressure to pile discussion	Walking Singles Bird in mouth memory	Baseball with distance/no throws Swish blinds Pile work ,stop on way in
Weds May 19	Known blind Handing	Split singles Look far	Split singles Pole blinds with factors Walking blind/ handling
Weds May 26	Memory drill Blind, throw, retrieve, throw, blind , retrieve	Doubles	Pole Blinds Split singles Single T
Weds June 2	Water entry	Water marks	Singles, alternating distance and factors . One set of doubles Water entry/exit
Weds June 9	Channel pile work	Water land combo marks	
Weds June 16	Water T	Test set up. Live flyer	
<p><u>Final Class – Date To be Determined</u> (September?) 2021 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Mentored pheasant hunt at a game farm – hunters use their own trained dogs to hunt and retrieve pheasants. Fee to be determined. Hunters handle, clean and package pheasant meat for storage.</p>			

Equipment needed to attend this class and to complete homework:

- Two way radio that can communicate with Midland type
- Flat collar with short tab
- Whistle of choice
- Electronic collar ( if collar conditioned)
- 6 or more bumpers (your ID on them)
- 209 Primer Pistol
- White coat or shirt
- Clothing appropriate for the weather Boots, Jackets
- Duck call
- “Building A Retriever Drills & More” by Carol Cassity

**\*\* Unlimited Auditing, without a dog**

Teams in this class will be ready to assist in the field, rain or shine and bring a dog who has not been worked on class day. A list of pre class resources and learning will be provided to registered students. Contact Kris Altenbernd [flywaylab@msn.com](mailto:flywaylab@msn.com) with questions.