



**Brandon, Manitoba  
JULY 14 -19, 2008**

**Hosted by Brandon  
Retriever Club**



*Brandon Retriever Club*

*Host of the 2008 Canadian Amateur National Retriever Championship*



**The National  
Retriever Club  
of Canada**

The Brandon Retriever Club was formed in the late 1950s. None of the original members are still alive. It was incorporated on April the 27<sup>th</sup>, 1964. Club officers at the time were Glen Sutherland, President, Archie Robins, Secretary and Rudy Stritz, Treasurer.

The first piece of property, known as grounds number 1, was purchased on Sept. 14, 1964. It consists mainly of water. The second piece of property, known as grounds number 2, consisting of both land and water was purchased Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1975 with the third piece of property, known as grounds number 3, consisting of land only, being purchased Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1984. In 1988 Feed Rite and the family of Archie Robins erected a clubhouse on grounds number 3 in memory of Archie. This is now referred to as Archie's Place. Members have worked diligently throughout the years to develop the properties into excellent dog training facilities.

Brandon Retriever Club has been fortunate to have many National Champions emerge from our membership. The first NFTCH FC AFC Pelican Lake Petey Two, owned by Cec Leech won the National in 1975 and again in 1981. In 1993 Gunther Rahnefeld's dog NFTCH AFTCH Call Me Mister Independence won the National. In 1996 NFTCH FTCH Raindancers Dryland Drifter owned by Joe Leptick won the National on the Brandon grounds. Harry Loyens' dog NFTCH Rainbow Mollie won in 1999. We also boast three National Amateur Field Trial Champions, 1995 NAFTCH FTCH FC AFC Gunstock's Caramel Crunch owned by Pat Fitzpatrick, 1997 NAFTCH FTCH Raindancers Lonesome Dove owned by Joe Leptick and 2005 NAFTCH FTCH FC AFC He's Czar Nicholas owned by Norm Elder. We are also home to one American National Champion NFC FTCH AFTCH Yankee Independence owned by Gunther Rahnefeld. Brandon Retriever Club has also been home to a number of other great dogs who although they never won a National have been outstanding in their careers.

The Brandon Retriever Club has been privileged to host Nationals on our grounds in 1968, 1976, 1988, 1996 and 2000. We are excited about hosting our first Amateur National in 2008.

The Brandon Retriever Club has a membership of approximately 40 people, many of whom are active field trial participants. Many of the 2008 National Amateur committee members have been actively involved in all 5 previous Nationals and all have had an active part in at least one National. The club has hosted an annual licensed trial for over 40 years and currently runs two licensed field trials and one licensed hunt test per year. We enjoy club competitions known as informal trials throughout the spring and in keeping with our purpose "to promote the training of dogs for hunting purposes" we try to run a training seminar for new handlers each year.

**Headquarters will be on the field trial grounds at Archie's Place.**

# Judges for 2008

Ken Crosby - Eastern Zone

Jim Ling - Southern Ontario Zone

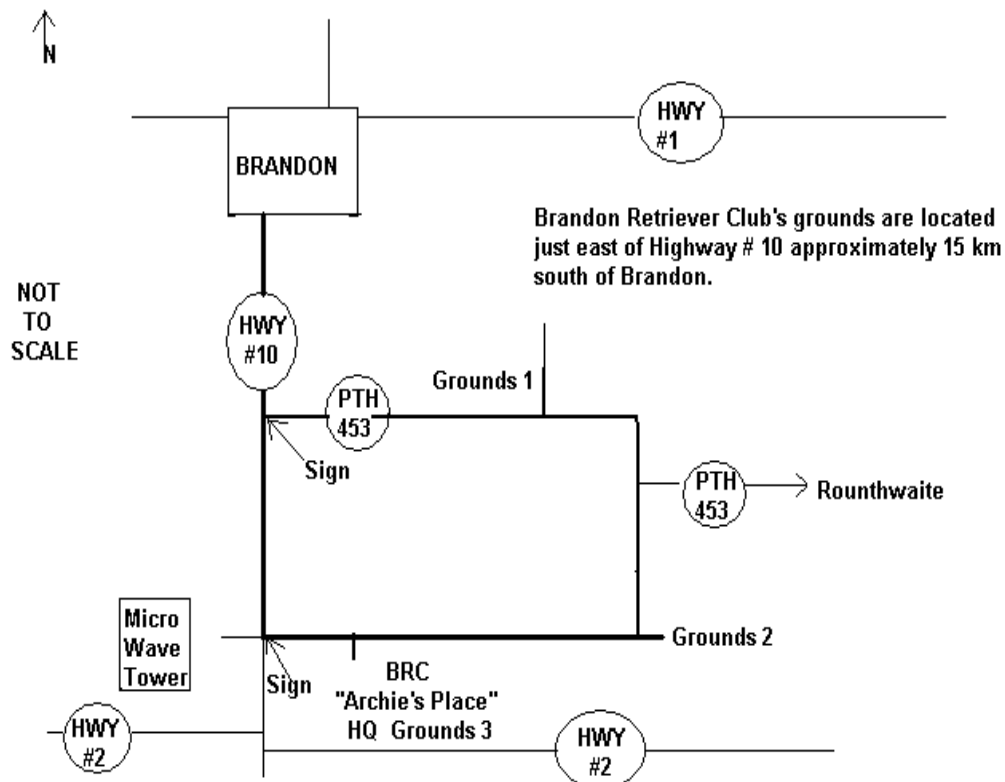
Graham Bowman - Western Zone

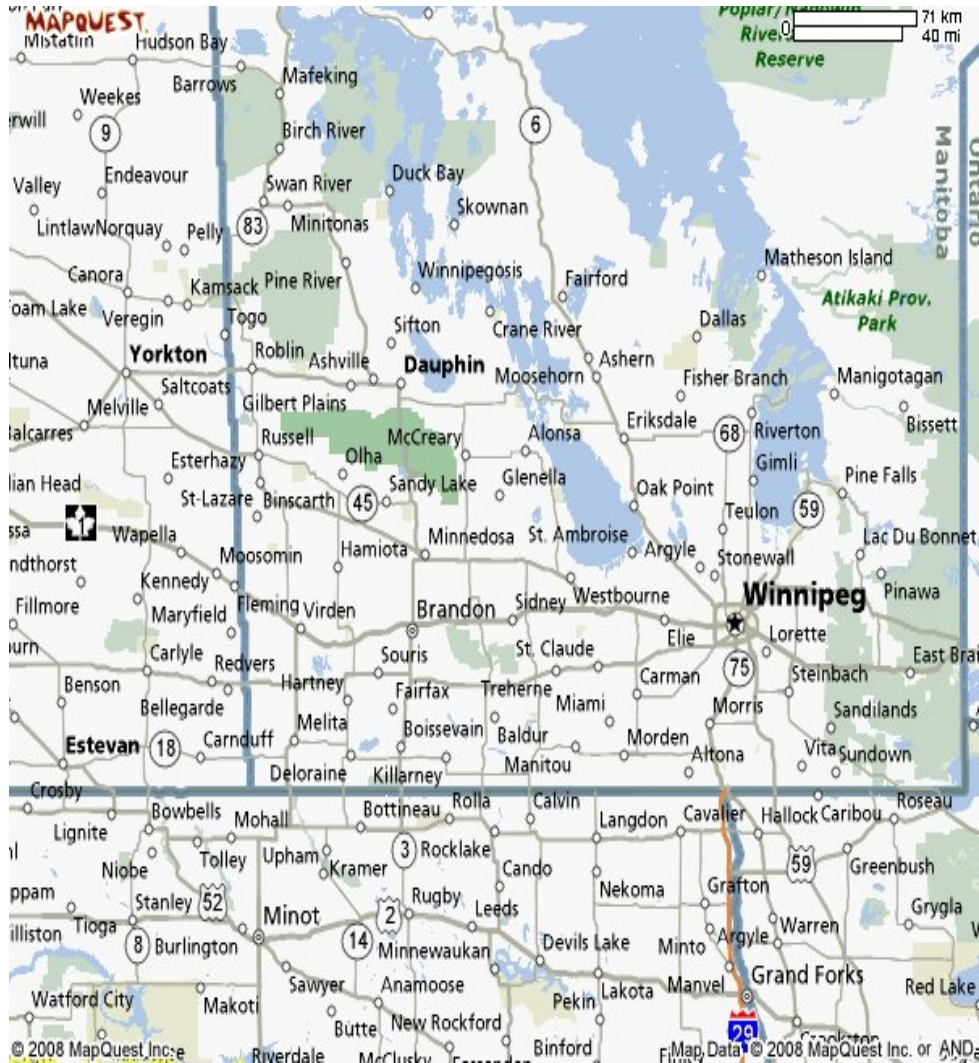
## Location

The City of Brandon is located on the Trans Canada Highway (Hwy #1) 197 kms west of Winnipeg and 100 kms north of the boundary line between Canada and the United States of America. Brandon is situated in Latitude 49 degrees 55 minutes North, Longitude 99 degrees 57 minutes West at an altitude of 232 m above the seaboard level of New York.

The stake will be held on challenging grounds owned by the club, located 15 kms (10 minutes) south of Brandon, Manitoba. Our 3 parcels of property contain a good mix of land and water. Improvements undertaken over the past several years have increased the size and complexity of our usable land and water sites. We are continually enhancing our land and water for training and trialing.

## Map to the grounds.





## Transportation

The Trans-Canada Highway, #1 is the main highway that passes through Brandon linking this city with the rest of Canada. Highway #10 extends south from Brandon to the United States. Winnipeg's international airport is the closest full service airport and provides service to and from all major Canadian and US cities.

There are also connector flights to Winnipeg from many of the smaller regional airports in surrounding provinces. Car rentals are available at the Winnipeg airport from the major North American car rental agencies.

## Climate

Summer days in the Brandon region are generally sunny, hot, dry and long. July is the sunniest and least windy month; weather averages are:

<b>Temperatures:</b>	<b>High 26C (79F) Low 12C (54F) Mean 19C (66F)</b>
<b>Winds:</b>	<b>Westerly at 14 km/hr. (8.75 mph)</b>
<b>Relative Humidity:</b>	<b>70 percent</b>
<b>Precipitation:</b>	<b>72 mm (2.8 inches)</b>
<b>Sunshine:</b>	<b>322 hours.</b>

## Rental Vehicles

### BRANDON

Budget Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.budget.com">www.budget.com</a>	1-800-268-8900 or (204) 725-3550
Enterprise Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.enterprise.com">www.enterprise.com</a>	1-800-736-8222 or (204) 727-7732

### WINNIPEG

Alamo Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.alamo.ca">www.alamo.ca</a>	1-800-844-9041 or (204) 925-3448
Avis Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.avis.ca">www.avis.ca</a>	1-800-879-2847 or (204) 956-2847
Budget Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.budget.com">www.budget.com</a>	1-800-268-8900 or (204) 989-8510
Discount Car & Truck	<a href="http://www.discountcar.com">www.discountcar.com</a>	1-866-310-2277 or (204) 775-2282
Dollar Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.dollarcanada.ca">www.dollarcanada.ca</a>	1-800-800-4000 or (204) 949-3836
Enterprise Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.enterprise.com">www.enterprise.com</a>	1-800-736-8222 or (204) 779-2422
Hertz Rent A Car	<a href="http://www.hertz.ca">www.hertz.ca</a>	1-800-263-0600 or (204) 925-6625
National Car & Truck	<a href="http://www.nationalcar.ca">www.nationalcar.ca</a>	1-800-227-7368 or (204) 925-3529
Thrifty Car Rental	<a href="http://www.thrifty.com">www.thrifty.com</a>	1-800-847-4389 or (204) 949-7608
Winnipeg U Drive	<a href="http://www.winnipegudrive.com">www.winnipegudrive.com</a>	1-886-947-8374 or (204) 779-3811

## Accommodations

There are Bed & Breakfasts and Motels located in and around Brandon as indicated on the following lists. Camping is available on the trial grounds at Archie's Place, although availability may be limited. Electrical hookups, and a water tank will be on the grounds for camper tank fills as well vacuum sewer pumping will be available twice during the week. Other campgrounds in the surrounding area are also listed.

**Reservations for camping at Headquarters are to be made through  
Al Petkau, 10 Linden Blvd, Brandon MB R7B 1B9 e-mail: [ahpetkau@mts.net](mailto:ahpetkau@mts.net)**

### Bed & Breakfasts:

Braeview Bed & Breakfast  
Tel: (204) 727-4594  
e-mail: [buhlerh@mts.net](mailto:buhlerh@mts.net)

Casa Maley Bed & Breakfast  
Tel: (204) 728-0812  
e-mail: [casamaley@westman.wave.ca](mailto:casamaley@westman.wave.ca)

Irma's Bed & Breakfast  
Tel: (204) 726-5149  
e-mail: [fieber@mts.net](mailto:fieber@mts.net)

White House Bed & Breakfast  
Tel: (204) 726-4820  
e-mail: [whitehse@mts.net](mailto:whitehse@mts.net)

## Campgrounds:

**Curran Park Campground**  
Tel: (204) 571-0750  
e-mail: curranpark@mts.net

**Meadowlark Campground**  
Tel: (204) 728-7205  
e-mail: info@meadowlarkcampground.ca

## Hotels/Motels:

**Barney's Motel**  
Tel: (204) 725-1540  
e-mail: barneysmotel@westman.com

**Canad Inns Brandon**  
Tel: (204) 727-1422  
e-mail: brandon@canadinns.com

**Canadian Inn**  
Tel: (204) 727-6404  
e-mail: n/a

**Casa Blanca Motor Lodge**  
Tel: (204) 728-1500  
e-mail: frondesk@casablancamotorlodge.com

**Colonial Inn**  
Tel: (204) 728-8532  
e-mail: colonialinn@westman.wave.ca

**Comfort Inn**  
Tel: (204) 727-6232  
e-mail: cn236@whg.com

**Days Inn Brandon**  
Tel: (204) 727-3600  
e-mail: n/a

**Keystone Motor Inn**  
Tel: (204) 728-6620  
e-mail: dave@keystonemotorinn.ca

**Lakeview Inns & Suites**  
Tel: (204) 728-1800  
e-mail: lakeviewbrandon@westman.wave.ca

**Midway Motel**  
Tel: (204) 725-2560  
e-mail: n/a

**Redwood Inn**  
Tel: (204) 728-2200  
e-mail: redwoodinn@westman.wave.ca

**Rodeway Inn**  
Tel: (204) 728-7230  
e-mail: n/a

**Royal Oak Inn**  
Tel: (204) 728-5775  
e-mail: reservations@royaloakinn.com

**Super 8 Motel Brandon**  
Tel: (204) 729-8024  
e-mail: brandonsuper8@westman.wave.ca

**The Little Chalet**  
Tel: (204) 725-1574  
e-mail: n/a

**The North Hill Inn**  
Tel: (204) 726-1818  
e-mail: n/a

**Trails West Motor Inn**  
Tel: (204) 727-3800  
e-mail: frontdesk@trailswest.mb.ca

**Victoria Inn**  
Tel: (204) 727-8282  
e-mail: brentm@vicinn.com

**Western Motel**  
Tel: (204) 728-5761  
e-mail: n/a

## **Entertainment**

A full program of social activities (see Schedule of Events below) are planned to ensure an enjoyable and memorable experience for all competitors, spouses and friends. This will include an opening banquet on Sunday evening, a workers' party on Wednesday night and a daily informal bar with complimentary appetizers at Archie's Place.

## **Food Truck**

A variety of hot and cold food, drinks and snacks, including breakfasts will be available on the Trial Grounds each day from July 14 – 19, 2007.

## **Training Grounds**

Sites shall be selected and prepared for those people wishing to train prior to the Stake on grounds similar to those that will be used during the trial. Pretrial training areas will be posted prior to commencement of the trial.

**Visit [www.travelmanitoba.com/freestuff.html](http://www.travelmanitoba.com/freestuff.html) to order tourist Information kits that include a highway map and publications on Hunting, Fishing, Accommodations, Campgrounds, Etc.**

**[www.brandon.ca](http://www.brandon.ca) for information about Brandon**

**[www.nrcc-canada.com](http://www.nrcc-canada.com) for information on other Canadian Field Trials.**

## Schedule of Events

Date/Event	Location	Time
<b>FRIDAY, JULY 11<sup>th</sup></b>		
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	1:00 PM
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 12<sup>th</sup></b>		
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	10:00 AM
NRCC Directors Meeting	Headquarters	2:00 PM
<b>SUNDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup></b>		
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	10:00 AM
Photographs of Competitors' Dogs	Archie's Place	Noon - 4:30 PM
Vetting	Archie's Place	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Cocktail Hour	Carol Banquet Hall	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Banquet	Carol Banquet Hall	5:30 PM
<b>MONDAY, July 14<sup>th</sup></b>		
Caravan leaves	Archie's Place	7:00 AM
Opening Ceremony & Test Dogs Run	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
National Begins	Club Grounds	8:00 AM
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	7:00 PM
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup></b>		
National Continues	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	7:00 PM
<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 16<sup>th</sup></b>		
National Continues	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	3:00 PM
Worker's Party	Archie's Place	6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Silent Auction Closes	Archie's Place	6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
<b>THURSDAY, JULY 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
National Continues	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
Purina Participants Breakfast	Club Grounds	8:00 AM
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	3:00 PM
<b>FRIDAY, JULY 18<sup>th</sup></b>		
National Continues	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
Purina Participants Breakfast	Club Grounds	8:00 AM
Hospitality Room Open	Archie's Place	3:00 PM
<b>SATURDARY, JULY 19<sup>th</sup></b>		
National Continues	Club Grounds	7:30 AM
Purina Participants Breakfast	Club Grounds	8:00 AM
Toast to the Champion	Archie's Place	
Photos of Finalists/Judges	Archie's Place	