

AWMA North Region 2022 Annual Report

To: AWMA President Ivan Balabanov and AWMA EB
From: Steve Billimack, AWMA North Regional Director
Date: November 17, 2022

Steve Billimack was named North Regional Director on February 28th, 2022.

North Region Club List:

Trials (7) Events (6) Waivers (4)

Aim High Working Dogs – Update Pending
Allegmeiner Working Dog Club - Event
Amherst Working Dog Club - Event
Cape Cod Schutzhund Club - Event
CT Working Dog Club – **Hosted 2022 AWMA North Region IGP Championships**
Granite State Working Malinois Club - Trial
KC Working Dogs – Held Trial, Event or Waiver
Man o'War Working Dog Club - Trial
Metro Detroit SchH & Police K9 - Trial
Motor City Working Dog Club - Event
New England Working Malinois Association – Update Pending
New Haven AWMA – Waiver
No Way Jose Working Dog Club - Waiver
OG Gartenstaat - Trial
Seacoast Working Dogs - Held Trial, Event or Waiver
The Society SPWMH - Trial
Tri-State IGP Working Dog Club - Trial
Unified Canine Working Dog Club - Event
Wolf River Working Dogs – Event (Moving to South Region)

2023 North Regional Director Goals:

Opportunity: Faster response time to both member and EB questions and proactively manage regional projects via a more robust data dashboard and reporting system.

Solution: Work with the EB and website database to design on-demand management reports for the North RD and other AWMA EB members to provide timely and shared access to AWMA data - member contact information (i.e. club contacts, club member lists, and at-large members not affiliated with a club) and the status of key deliverables and due dates (i.e. club renewal status and date, club trial/event/waiver status and dates, delegates name to national meeting and date, etc.)

Opportunity: Support and develop a more collaborative AWMA culture in the North Region given the challenges of a large geographic area and dense traffic in metropolitan areas.

Solution: Given it's more efficient for many AWMA members to primarily train locally with friends, clubs (many not AWMA clubs) and helpers, Steve Billimack will test a club concept in the Chicago area which meets one day a month with a focus on socializing with AWMA members, sharing training ideas, and holding an annual trial. The goal is that this club will help with networking among AWMA members over a larger geographic area while also allowing members to primarily train more frequently in their local areas.

Regards,

Steve Billimack
AWMA North Regional Director