

2018 NW Regional Director's Report for Sept. 8th Regional Meeting

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1. **Election year for USCA.** Please send a delegate to the GBM in November. Be sure to turn in your Delegate form by the deadline (Oct 1st).
2. **New IGP Rules effective January 2019.** USCA will have the new rule book available in mid-November. I will also have a "Quick Reference" sheet explaining the differences. We plan on having a rules presentation at a future Regional training day, after the rule book and USCA variances have been released.
3. **RH Program in the Region** - *NorCal Working Dog Club* is holding an RH seminar with Craig Groh on September 29-30th. *Gold Country Working Dogs* is offering the RH1 title at their Feb 2-3 trial. The RH1 title is the entry level/suitability title, and can be judged by any USCA judge. Titles beyond RH1 (RH2 Level A or B) can only be judged by Stephanie Dunion and Karen McIntyre. Currently, only Stephanie Dunion and Karen McIntyre are approved to hold official RH seminars requiring an EAF. More info on the RH Program can be found [here](#) on the USCA website. Please note that the RH rulebook is separate from our Trial Rules; the RH rulebook can be found [here](#) (must be logged in to USCA site). If the region is interested, we can look into holding a Regional RH training seminar at a later date.
4. **World Team members from our region:** Congratulations to Cherie Flores, who competed at the World Universal Sieger with Baxter. Congratulations to Tim Cutter and Chris Campbell for qualifying for the FCI world team, Tim as USA-2 with his Malinois Kai and Chris as second alternate with Sirkus (bred by our Regional BW, Christina Clay).
5. **Club report:** Updates on affiliate clubs, full member clubs, dissolved clubs will be given at the meeting. Reminder that if your club has not yet hosted an event for this year and does not have one scheduled, please contact me immediately about either plans to host an event, or needing a waiver (and why).
6. **Miscellaneous:** any USCA news or other items that come up between now and the meeting
7. **Questions?**