



**2026
Introduction to
VHDF Seminar
with Mike O'Donnell**



The Versatile Hunting Dog Federation of Maine will be hosting an Introduction to VHDF Seminar with Mike O'Donnell on July 25th at the Sugarfoot Kennel in Burnham, ME. This will be a seminar to highlight the standards being judged in the Hunting Aptitude Evaluation (HAE), Advanced Hunting Aptitude Evaluation (AHAE), and the Performance Evaluation (PE), as well as discussing the similarities and differences between VHDF and NAVHDA. Attendees are encouraged to bring their dogs as some may be called upon for demonstration. Dogs not being used for demonstration will need to be staked or crated.

This is a unique opportunity to learn the specific scoring subjects and the 12 point scoring system that will enable you as a handler to better prepare your dog for training and testing in the VHDF.

The seminar will cover the following Field and Water Subjects for :

Hunting Aptitude Evaluation (HAE) for dogs up to approximately 1.5 years old

Advanced Hunting Aptitude Evaluation (AHAE) for young dogs that have been started for hunting

Performance Evaluation (PE) for fully finished versatile hunting dogs on land, and in water, before and after the shot

Date: Saturday, July 25, 2026 (rain or shine)

Location: Sugarfoot Kennel, 444 Troy Road, Burnham, ME

Time: 8am - 5pm

Fee: \$50.00

To sign up click on link below, or send payment in full to:

Registration

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