31st Anniversary

American Water Spaniel Club National Specialty & Hunt Tests

Baldwin, Wisconsin August 3-7, 2016



Permission is granted by the AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB for the holding of this event under the Rules and Procedures of the AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB.

Schedule

Wednesday, August 3, 2016	
Super 8, Baldwin, Wisconsin	
Welcome Table and Check-in	
3:00 p.m 4:30 p.m. Judges Seminar and Hands On	
5:00 p.mWelcome Pizza Party & Auction of your state's	
favorite beverage	
7:00 p.mHealth/Genetics—Seminar: Common Canine Cancer	S
Thursday, August 4, 2016	
Mill Pond Park. Baldwin, Wisconsin	
9:00 a.mNational Specialty 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy	
See Judging Program for exact times.	
Canine Good Citizen Test following Specialty Show	
The Orchard, Baldwin, Wisconsin	
6:00 p.mSocial Hour, Cash Bar, Buffet Dinner, Photo Contes	;†
Awards and Brown Bag Raffle	
Friday, August 5, 2016	
Good Go Ing Kennels	
7:30 a.mHunt Test Check-In	
8:00 a.m AWSC/AKC Hunt Tests	
11:30 a.m 1:00 p.m. Lunches available at site	
The Orchard	
6:00 p.mSocial Hour, Buffet Dinner	
8:00 p.mAnnual Meeting	
Saturday, August 6, 2016	
Good Go Ing Kennels	
7:30 a.mHunt Test Check-In	
8:00 a.m AWSC/AKC Hunt Tests	
11:30 a.m 1:00 p.m. Lunches available at site.	
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The Orchard	
6:00 p.mSocial Hour, Buffet Dinner, Annual Auction	
Sunday, August 7, 2016	
Good Go Ing Kennels	
8:30 a.mCheck-in	
9:00 a.mRoustabout	
11:30 a.m 1:00 p.m. Lunches available at site	

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You can volunteer for Club committees, contribute your ideas, and send questions, comments, or concerns directly to the entire AWSC Board of Directors. Send your e-mail to: directors@americanwaterspanielclub.org the entire board will receive your communications.

Event Details

Wednesday, August 3rd—Welcome Day

Welcome table starting 3:00 p.m. Come to the Super 8 Lobby to check in, pick up your Welcome Bag and name tags. Also, sign up for the Welcome Pizza Party

Judges Education Seminar

The seminar will be held at the Super 8 at 3:00 p.m. for a presentation with a hands-on - an opportunity for the judges to go over some dogs.

Welcome Pizza Party

Join us for a Pizza Party at 5:00 p.m. at the Super 8. Greet and meet your AWS friends from across the country! The club is sponsoring the party and will provide the pizza. Join in on the fellowship, food and auction. WHAT TO BRING: - your favorite beverage to drink, plus wine, spirits, beer or other beverage representing your state for a fun auction.

Health & Genetics Seminar

Join us at 7:00p.m. at the Super 8 for an informational seminar about Common Canine Cancers: What They Are and What to Look for at Home. Presented by Brian Husbands, DVM, Associate Professor at University of Minnesota, College of Veterinary Medicine who specializes in Oncology.

Thursday - August 4 - Specialty Day

The show will be held outdoors at Mill Pond Park, Baldwin, WI. Sheltered grooming space and electrical outlets are available. See premium list for entry forms. Closing date is July13th.

Judges for the National are:

Ms Nancy Gallant - Juniors, Conformation, 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy Ms Carol Jean Hathaway — Sweepstakes, Puppy

Ms Patricia Nevins— All Obedience & Rally Classes

The sequence for the judging is obedience, rally, sweepstakes, junior showmanship and then conformation. During the lunch break we will hold the 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy event. Entry form found in Show Premium. Canine Good Citizen—following the National Specialty Show. The evaluation will be held at Mill Pond Park. Complete the CGC form

Show Secretary

Our show secretary: Dog Shows By Design, Cindy O'Hare, 8221 Griffith Avenue NW, Maple Lake, MN 55358, (320) 963-7705, Fax (320) 963-6087, www.dogshowsbydesign.com. If you do not receive the premium list by email, you can find it on the secretary's website or at www.americanwaterspanielclub.org The closing date is July 13th.

Event Details, cont.

Thursday, August 4—Specialty Day Continued

Social Hour and Awards Event

The Orchard - Buffet—The Annual Awards Event and dinner will be held Thursday evening. The Social Hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 7:00p.m.

National Photo Contest—The entries to National Photo Contest will be displayed and voted on by attendees at the Awards Banquet. Remember to enter your favorite AWS photo. The People's Choice winner will be featured on the Spring 2017 AWS Review

Brown Bag Raffle - following banquet

The Brown Bag Raffle will be held the night of the Awards Dinner - Thursday, August 4th. Tickets will be sold during the Social Hour. The club solicits from commercial concerns and we encourage your contribution, too. Contact some of the businesses that you frequent and ask them to make a contribution.

All contributors will be listed in the Fall 2016 AWS Review. To pledge your contribution, send the Raffle and Auction Donation Pledge Form to Pat Oldenburg by July 13th. You can mail your donations to Charlie Schlatter. The auction of larger items will be held in conjunction with different events. Please make your donation to the general fund of the club by contributing items for this event.

Friday & Saturday - August 5 & 6— AWSC/AKC Hunt Tests

The AWSC/AKC Hunt Tests will be held at Good Go Ing Kennels, 1188 192nd Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. Check-in starts at 7:30 a.m. The tests will start at 8:00 a m

The latest edition of the "Rules and Regulations for AWSC Hunt Tests"

may be downloaded from the AWSC website: http://www.americanwaterspanielclub.org. The AKC rules may be downloaded from the AKC website.

Limited gate entries may be available depending on bird supply, weather, and time limitations. We strongly encourage you to enter by the closing date of July 13th to be assured a spot and to be listed in the catalog. Any entry received after the closing date will be considered a gate entry and an additional \$5.00 fee will be required. The drawing for running order will be held July 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Patty St. Onge.

Annual Meeting - August 5

Buffet - The Orchard. We will begin with Social Hour at 6:00p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00p.m. The Annual Meeting will be held at 8:00 p.m. at the Orchard.

Youth / Junior Field Handling - August 6

Good Go Ing Kennels—after lunch. This event is for those under 16 years of age. Youth Division - ages 5 yrs to 10 yrs; Junior - 11 yrs to 16 yrs. The test will be similar to the Started Dog Test. There is no entry fee for this event, but you must pre-enter by July 13th to be listed in the catalog. See entry form on page 34. Rosettes will be awarded.

Annual Auction - August 6

Buffet - The Orchard. We will begin with Social Hour at 6:00p.m. with dinner at 7:00p.m. There will be quality items to be auctioned off. In the past we have had tickets to the Packers, special Brewers baseball tickets, lovely art items, state baskets, etc. Don't miss it! If you would like to donate to the annual auction please use the donation form

Sunday—August 7— Roustabout

Roustabout—Check-in at 8:30 a.m. Event will start at 9:00 a.m. at Good Go Ing Kennels. It is a fun event that simulates an upland game hunt. The 15 minute hunt consists of two gunners who each have only 3 shells, one AWS and 3 planted birds. It is a timed event that gives you credit for unused time and shells, and for birds flushed, shot, and retrieved. Pre-entry is strongly encouraged by the closing date of July 13th to be assured a spot and to be listed in the catalog. Limited gate entries may be accepted depending on bird supply, weather and time limitations. Entries received after the closing date will be considered a gate entry and an additional \$5 fee will be required.

Forms Deadlines

*Shirt & Sweatshirt orders	June 30th
Trophy Form	July 13th
Photo Contest Pre-entries	July 13th
*Advertisement Form	July 13th
*Hunt Test Entries	July 13th
*Meal Reservations	July 13th
*Roustabout	July 13th
*Specialty (not in this brochure)	July 13th
Youth / Jr. Field Handler	July 13th
Brown Bag Raffle and Auction	July 13th
Judges Education	July 13th
*Canine Good Citizen	July 13th

Note about Forms

Deadlines that have an *asterisk are hard and fast deadlines. Make sure you have your form to the proper person by that date.

Extra forms can be downloaded from the club website www.americanwaterspanielclub.org

For continuing updates for 2016 National Specialty and Hunt Tests go to the AWSC website at

www. americanwaterspanielclub.org

Hotel Headquarters and Room Reservations

Lodging

Headquarters Hotel - Super 8 Baldwin

805 Energy St, Baldwin, WI 54002 (715) 684-2700

Make reservations by July 1st 2016 Any rooms in our block not reserved will be released after July 1st. Mention the American Water Spaniel Club when making your reservation. The rate is \$71.20 (+ tax)\$ and a one-time \$25 pet fee.

Alternate Hotel - AmericInn, 500 Baldwin Plaza Drive, Baldwin, WI 54002 715-684-5888—Check dog policy.

Campgrounds

Willow River State Park

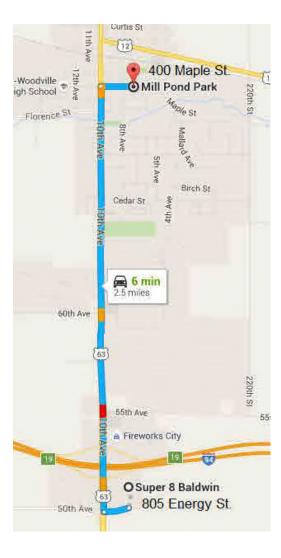
Located 5 miles northeast of Hudson on County Road A 1034 County Highway A, Hudson, WI 54016, (715) 386-5931 Office. Make your reservations early. This is a very popular park. http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/specific/willowriver/camp.html

Be a Considerate Guest

There will be ample areas to exercise your dog on the grounds. Some areas may be marked off limits but please use your common sense about where to allow your dog to eliminate. Plastic bags, buckets, and scoopers will be provided.

Dogs left in rooms must be crated. Make every effort to see to it that your dog does not disturb other guests. Barking dogs may have to be removed from the hotel. Please remember that AKC allows disciplinary actions against exhibitors who fail to take proper care of dog show sites and hotels.

Lunches will be available at Mill Pond Park on
Thursday and
Good Go Ing Kennels on
Friday, Saturday and Sunday
Please make your reservations in advance



Driving Instructions to show site:

From Minneapolis/St. Paul: I-94 east to Baldwin (exit 19/Rt-63). Turn left on Rt-63 and proceed north approx. 2 miles to Baldwin. In Baldwin, turn right on Maple St. (1 block before traffic light). Proceed east on Maple St. to the four-way stop. Continue straight and turn left at Mill Pond Park.

From Eau Claire: I-94 west to Baldwin (exit 19/Rt-63). Turn right on Rt-63 and proceed north approx. 2 miles to Baldwin. In Baldwin, turn right on Maple St. (1 block before traffic light). Proceed east on Maple St. to the four-way stop. Continue straight and turn left at Mill Pond Park.

Other Information

National Shirts

Pre-order your 2016 National Specialty shirts to obtain special pricing. Only a very limited number will be available at the Nationals. Complete your order form and mail to Sharon Mann by June 30, 2016. See page 23 for order form.

Catalog Advertising

Ads may be placed in either the Specialty or Hunt Test Catalog. To place your ads, please use the enclosed form. The deadline for receiving ads is July 13th. See pages 15-16. For further information contact:

Dog Shows By Design, Cindy O'Hare,

8221 Griffith Avenue NW,

Maple Lake, MN 55358,

(320) 963-7705 Fax

(320) 963-6087

www.dogshowsbydesign.com

To insure the placement you want, send your form in early.

Trophy Donations

National Specialty Show trophies are from Outer Banks Metalworks. Other trophies will be glassware. All have an AWS motif. To make a donation, complete the Trophy Donation form, then send it with your check made out to the AWSC, to Sharren Rose at 11 Webster Heights Drive, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301 by July 13th. Be sure to choose your level of donation. See page 24 for donation form.

Veterinarian

Baldwin Veterinary Center

390 8th Ave, Baldwin, WI 54002, (715) 684-3216

Kennels

Good Go Ing Kennel (hunt test site), 1188 - 192nd Street, Baldwin, WI 54002, (715) 796-2392 - OFFICE. This is a great place to board your dog if necessary.

Hospital

Baldwin Medical Center-730 10th Avenue, Baldwin, (715) 684-3311.

Show Photographer

Linda McGrath—10309 N.E. 143rd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98682

(906) 799-5115 -timmcgrath@comcast.net

Assisted by Sue Liemohn

Ad Space Available

This is your chance to take advantage of the opportunity to put an ad in our Specialty catalog. Do something extra nice for yourself, your kennel or dog(s). and your club by advertising in our National Specialty Catalog.

Full Page Ad \$ 40.00 (photo) or \$ 35.00 (No photo) Half Page Ad \$ 30.00 (photo) or \$ 20.00 (No photo) Business Card Ad \$ 7.50 Each Additional Photo \$ 10.00 ALL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY, or extra charges will be assessed. NO ADS ACCEPTED WITHOUT PAYMENT Make checks payable to Cindy O'Hare and send with ad to: Cindy O'Hare...8221 Griffith Ave NW...Maple Lake, MN 55358 Deadline . . . July 13, 2016 Advertiser's Name_____ Address _____ City ______, Zip______ Telephone # (___)____Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Remember to indicate which catalog your ad is to appear in! Catalog Please Check: Ad Space Check One: ☐ Full Page (4 1/2" x 7 1/4") ☐ Show ☐ Hunt Test ☐ Half Page (4 1/2" x 3 5/8") ☐ Business Card (3.5" x 2") All advertising orders are subject to club approval. No ads less than business card size. All cover ads must be full page. Check appropriate boxes: Back Cover ☐ Art Enclosed (logo, line drawing, etc.) Inside Back Cover ☐ Return Art (unless checked, art Inside Front Cover will not be returned) Facing Pages □ Tear Sheet from Past Catalog Photo Enclosed (photos will be re-(original photo required) turned)

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	Use this space to design and layout your ad.		
	Please type or print plainly all copy		
	A few well chosen words make a more attractive advertisement.		
	Please submit clear photographs. Black and White preferred		
	Half Page (actual size)		
	Deadline Must be received by July 13, 2016		
	Business card (actual size)		
	business card (actual size)		

Committee Chairs

2016 AWSC Inc. Nationa	l Site Coordinator
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(920-) 435-3558	
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Chief Ring Steward - Sharren Rose	11 Webster Heights Dr. Creen Dr. WT 5/201
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- Jane Brumley	6472 Knotts Island Rd., VA Beach, VA 23457
(757) 426-6906	brumleyfarm@prodigy.net
Welcome Bags	
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Sharren Rose	11 Webster Heights Dr., Green Bay, WI 54301
(920-) 435-3558	
Welcome Table	
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- Mary Kangas	Sharon Mann
Meal Reservations	0/4/ 7
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(715) 363-2507	1000 300111 Mill 200p Rd., Maple, WI 37037
Hunting Events Chair	
- Kevin Smith	6 Golfview Lane, Barrington, IL 60010
(847) 754-0777	kevin@smgreps.com
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Judges Education Seminar

The Judges Education Committee will provide a Parent Club Seminar at our 2016 Nationals. The purpose of this seminar is educate conformation judges about our breed standard. After the seminar, the committee will invite a few dogs to participate in the hands-on portion in which the judges examine each dog.

Members are invited to attend the seminar at no charge. In order for members to attend, you must sign up in advance to let us know that you will be attending. Space will be limited for the formal presentation therefore we encourage you to sign up by July 13th. If there is space available, you may be able to sign up the day of the Seminar before 2:30 p.m. To avoid disruptions, we request that you be on time and that not leave until the seminar has concluded. The printed material that the judges receive will be available to members for \$5 to cover the printing expenses. Questions from members will be fielded after the seminar is concluded and the judges have completed their participation.

Schedule Wednesday, August 3, 2016

2:30 p.m. - Deadline for member sign-up is space is available 3:00 p.m. - AWSC, Inc. Breed Presentation followed by hands-on

Sign up to attend the seminar by July 13th by contacting:
Linda Hattrem, Judges Education Chair
7375 Bayport Avenue Sparta, WI, 54654
hattrem@centurytel.net
(608) 633-3122

Please indicate if you will be purchasing the packet of printed information (\$5).

AWSC 2016 National Specialty Trophies

Choose your level of donation. You will be listed in the show catalog and on

Check Level of donation	Levels of Donation	Amount Donated
	Platinum - \$41.00 and up	
	Gold - \$26.00- \$40.00	
	Silver - \$16.00 - \$25.00	
	Bronze - \$5.00 - \$15.00	

On the lines below "Donation listed as:" Please put your name, kennel name, In memory of, or the name of your business (as you want it listed in the catalog). E-mail Jane Brumley at brumleyfarm@prodigy.com if you have any questions. National Specialty Show trophies are from Outer Banks Metalworks

Return this completed form with your check payable to AWSC. Send to:

Sharren Rose 11 Webster Heights Dr. Green Bay, WI 54310 Deadline: July 13, 2016.

Platinum - \$41.00 and up Gold - \$26.00- \$40.00 Silver - \$16.00 - \$25.00 Bronze - \$5.00 - \$15.00

Check off your donation level, send a check made out to AWSC and how you want your donation listed: Name, Kennel Name or if you are donating in memory of a person or dog.

Donation listed as:			

Award	Item

BOB AWS Motif Clock BW AWS Motif Clock BOS AWS Motif Crate Tag AWS Motif Crate Tag Selects (2)/ Stemless Wine Glass JAM (2) WD/WB AWS Motif Welcome Sign AWS Motif Crate Tag RWD/RWB All 1st—4th Stemless Wine Glass Best Junior Showmanship \$25 Gift Certificate

Sweepstakes

Best in Sweeps Two Stemless Wine Glasses
Best of Opposite in Sweeps Stemless Wine Glass
All other entrants Stemless Wine Glass

4-6 Month

Best in 4-6 month Large Toy
All other entrants Small Toy

Obedience / Rally

Highest Scoring in Regular
Classes
High Combined
AWS Motif Welcome Sign
AWS Motif Crate Tag

Stemless Wine Glass

Non-regular

Best Stud dog/brood bitch Stemless Wine Glass
Best Brace Stemless Wine Glass
All other entrants Stemless Wine Glass

Brown Bag Raffle

Pledge Form for Thursday, August 4, 2016 Name Address City/State/Zip _____ Description Description ____ Member Donation **Business Donation** I will bring the above items on Thursday, August 4, 2016 and give to Pat Oldenburg I will mail the above items to: Charlie Schlatter Mail this form to: Pat Oldenburg, 2616 Irene Dr, WI, Eau Claire, WI 54701: Mail items to Charlie Schlatter by July 13th to: Charlie Schlatter, Specialty Auction & Raffle 1051 East River Dr., River Falls, WI 54022 Auction Use this form for larger items that would be appropriate for an auction. Description Description Member Donation Business Donation I will bring the above items on Thursday, August 4, 2016 and give to Pat Oldenburg I will mail the above items to: Charlie Schlatter

Mail this form to: Pat Oldenburg, 2616 Irene Dr., Eau Claire, WI 54701:

Mail items to Charlie Schlatter by July 13th to:

Charlie Schlatter, Specialty Auction & Raffle

1051 East River Dr., River Falls, WI 54022

State Basket Auction

The State Baskets have been such a success that we are doing them again this year. A person or a group of people may put together a basket that includes fun things from their state(s). There is no limit as to what you can put into the basket and there is no minimum either. We want this to be fun and we want you to have fun with it as well. If you have any questions about this, feel free to contact Pat Oldenburg. **These baskets can be sent to Charlie Schlatter or you can bring it to the Nationals yourself.**

If you have any questions call Pat Oldenburg at (715) 563-4816 or e-mail him at patjenlilley@sbcglobal.net
Basket for which state
Name
Address
City/State/Zip
Description
I will bring the above basket on Thursday, August 4, 2016 (baskets may be delivered to Charlie's motel room starting Wed. Aug. 3rdin the afternoon)
I will mail the above basket to: Charlie Schlatter
Mail this form to: Pat Oldenburg 2616 Irene Dr, WI, Eau Claire, WI 5470

Mail baskets to: Charlie Schlatter by July 13th to: Charlie Schlatter, Specialty Auction & Raffle 1051 East River Dr., River Falls, WI 54022

Canine Good Citizen Entry Form

Thursday, August 4, 2016
Following the National Specialty Show
Mill Pond Park
400 Block of Maple Street
Baldwin, Wisconsin

NAME:

PHONE: EMAIL:

Number of Dogs:

\$10 fee
Send competed form and check and made out to
American Water Spaniel Club to:
Sharren Rose
11 Webster Heights Dr.
Green Bay, WI 54301
Deadline is July 13, 2016
Bring your dog's registration information to the event

AWSC Supported Entry

Waukesha Kennel Club Shows Waukesha, Wisconsin July 30 & 31, 2016

Superintendent: Roy Jones Entries close July 13th

To donate to the trophy fund
for this supported entry,
send your check made out to the AWSC to:
Sharren Rose
11 Webster Heights Dr.
Green Bay, WI 54301

2017 Calendars

The Health & Genetics Committee of the American Water Spaniel Club will bring you

American Water Spaniels... and their Families

An American Water Spaniel will be on every page! All proceeds go to the Health and Genetics Committee. Funds are used for health studies and owner / breeder education.



You may order in advance for delivery at Nationals! \$20.00 each

5 or more - 15% discount

S&H - \$3.00 per calendar and adjusted for more than one (only if mailed) Save money and pick up at the Nationals and pay no shipping

 $\label{lem:contact} \textbf{Contact Lois } \textbf{McCracken for further information} - \textbf{Imccracken@ftc-i.net}$

Order Form 2017 American Water Spaniel Calendar

Quantity	Price	S & H	Total

Name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip	
Email Address:	

Checks to be made payable to the AWSC, Inc. with a notation: H&G Calendar Send order & checks to: Lois McCracken, P. O. Box 1982, Sumter, SC 29151

Dear AWS Enthusiasts,

Our thanks go to all who contributed their photos.

We hope you love the results, but mostly, we hope you keep the idea of the calendar fresh in your thoughts so that you will consider contributing a wonderful photo for 2018.

Area Attractions

Afton Hudson Cruise Lines – Treat yourself and guests to a cruise along the beautiful shores of Wisconsin and Minnesota. Hudson WI, (651) 436-8883, www.stcroixrivercruises.com

Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center – Provides a unique opportunity for you to learn and explore the outdoors. With property on both the Minnesota and Wisconsin sides of the scenic St. Croix River, we are able to preserve wildlife habitat while also providing educational opportunities. Hiking trails wind throughout the tall pines, oak savanna, restored prairies, wooded ravines, around the apple orchard, and along the river of the 425 acre main property north of Hasting, MN. Wildlife abounds in the restored prairie and wooded bluffs on the 300 acre Wisconsin nature preserve. 12805 St. Croix Trail S., Hastings MN 55033, (651) 437 - 4359, www. carpenternaturecenter.org

Willow River State Park – With 3,000 acres of prairie, forests, and panoramic river scenery, Willow River State Park offers year-round recreational and scenic attractions in western Wisconsin. Located 5 miles northeast of Hudson on County Road A, the park has a campground, a boat launch, and a 400-foot beach and picnic area centered on 172-acre Little Falls Lake. 1034 County Highway A, Hudson WI 54016, (715) 386 - 5931, www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/parks/specific/willowriver/

Historic Walking Tour - A walk around town is a walk back in time. Enjoy the many beautifully restored Victorian era homes in the historic residential district of Hudson, several of which are open to the public as bed and breakfast inns. Take a walk and see it for yourself. Historic Downtown Hudson, WI, (800) 657 - 6775, info@hudsonwi.org

Cross the St. Croix River into Minnesota and head just a few miles north to Stillwater the Birthplace of Minnesota. Stroll the quaint downtown area...eat, shop and enjoy the river. Travel across the historic Stillwater Lift Bridge back into Wisconsin.

Chateau St. Croix. - Interested in wine? Take a little drive and visit the European style vineyard. It features a carriage house, stables, vineyards, formal gardens, picnic areas and a fishing pond. Take in eight acres of vineyards as you enjoy well-balanced wines at the River Bend Vineyard & Winery. At Cap-N-Corks, you'll find a variety of wines poured daily.