

AKC Spring Hunt Test, May 26-27 Birchwood,

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ETRC NEWSLETTER

A huge thank you to all who helped make our Spring 2012 AKC Hunt Test a success. With the financial struggles we have been having recently, ideas were sought to conserve funds wherever possible. Everyone pitched in to make sure this happened. Mark and Patti Gibson, assisted by son Art and his wife Liz provided a fantastic home cooked judge's dinner on Friday night. Chicken and pork chops on the grill, baked potatoes, baked beans, salad, an assortment of desserts: Wow!. They set the bar high!! It was wonderful to relax with a home cooked meal and not have to clean up and go out after a long day of setting up. Patti also researched and found some great judge's gifts for us this year.

With cost of ducks going up finding a good price was a challenge. Kelley Eller & Brent worked a deal with the "Duck Dealer" and went in with Middle TN when they had theirs delivered to save costs. This meant Kelley and Lois Eller had to "duck sit" for 300 ducks for two weeks!! They all had to be caught and crated to bring to the test. Thanks to Tom Beeckman, Kelley and Brent for holding the first annual Duck Roundup. They managed to accomplish it all in under an hour!! Getting set up on Friday is always a challenge with everyone vying for prime real estate. Brent, Robert Dodson, Kelley Eller, Tom Beeckman, and Ken Wade made sure all of our judges were accommodated and set up without a fuss.

Chief Marshal, Trudie Kuka made sure we had marshals assigned for all stakes. Thanks to marshals Lisa Styles, Karen Edwards, Fay Norwood, Robert Dodson, Mark & Patti Gibson, Diane Fyfe, and Derek Dieterich for keeping things running smoothly at all of our stakes.

Valerie, Taylor & Bailey McCoy did their usual fantastic job of T-shirt sales. To give you an idea of what a good sales lady Valerie is, she sold long sleeved shirts & a sweatshirt on 90+ degree days!! And Taylor & Bailey have found their calling as dog sitters extraordinaire. I am waiting until they can stay away from home along! They will be on my speed dial!!

Thanks to Mike Evans for organizing the gunners again. And thanks to Ken Wade & Hubert Helton for spending the day in the sun gunning.

Hospitality this year was done by David Knott and Derek Dieterich, who brought ice and made sure the ice chests were filled and distributed. We went through more ice than ever with the extreme heat, but managed to end the weekend without any heat related incidents.

There is always someone needing this or that and equipment moved, fixed, or added. Kelley Eller, Tom Beeckman, Ken Wade, Richard Cook, and Brent McCoy were everywhere making sure everyone was accommodated. Michael Stephens joined in on Sunday to pick up the slack and was much appreciated.

Lois Eller and Marianne Beeckman provided our fantastic lunches again. The quality of lunches is most appreciated by all. The work they put in to fix them may not be realized by all, but as one who is there to witness, they are busy from early in the day making sure all lunches are ready on time and delivered when needed, until late afternoon and all is cleaned up.

Thanks to John Guinn and the Sunbright High School football team for again providing the bird boys. We received many favorable comments from the judges on how good they were to work as compared to many.

As always, our test would not be possible without a fantastic and knowledgeable test secretary and Roberta Williams is the BEST!! Always organized and keeps things flowing smoothly.

Thanks to our super treasurer, Chuck Atchley. He is always there to make sure the bills get paid. In addition, he helped with equipment, and delivered lunches for us.. *Continued*

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2012 AKC Fall Hunt Test

September 29-30, 2012
Hiwassee Refuge
Blythes Ferry WMA
Birchwood, Tennessee
Approved Event

Clean up on Sunday is always one of the toughest jobs. Everyone is tired and eager to go home after a long weekend. Many thanks to those dedicated folks who stayed until the end to help restore our grounds to the condition we found them (if not better), load equipment, and pack the trailer. Brent McCoy, Mike Evans, John Guinn, Derek Dieterich, Valerie McCoy, and Lisa Styles deserve a huge kudo for helping with this unfavorable task. Little did Derek know when he stayed to help that he would have a pick up bed packed sky high with trash to take home!!

If I have left anyone out, it is not intentional on my part, but truly a senior moment. I tried to keep notes, but was not always diligent in doing that. Thanks again to all who helped make this event a success. Event Chairman: Carol Stone

President's Message from Brent McCoy: A special Thank You to everyone who worked and contributed in making the Spring Hunt Test a huge success. Our treasurer reports an improved bank balance of \$10,000 as compared to the starting balance in January 2012 of \$1200. ETRC thanks TWRA Area Manager, Jason Jackson, for allowing our club to use the beautiful Hiwassee Refuge for our two annual AKC Hunt Tests. Jason's Lab Belle was unable to participate as a female in season.

ETRC Second Spring Club Trial—Chuck Atchley Farm—April 28 — Sevierville, TN

The second Spring ETRC club trial was held on Saturday, April 28, at the Chuck Atchley Farm, Hwy 338, Sevierville, TN. The weather was beautiful the whole day. The club thanks the Atchley family for their generous use of their farm. Sixty dogs ran in the stakes. The following are the results of each stake.

SINGLES CLASSIC Judges— Robert Dodson & Hubert Helton MASTER-Judges Mike Evans &

Brent McCoy

1st Place	Cash	Matt Buntrock	Callie	Jim Pearce
2nd Place	Annie	Mike Evans	Diezel	John Guinn
3rd Place	Daizy	Mark Gibson	Ella	Brent McCoy
4th Place	Rocko	Matt Buntrock		

JAMS (Judges Award of Merit)

Diezel	John Guinn	River	Hubert Helton
Magnum	Michael Stephens	Lefty	Robert Dodson
Cy	Grant Rains	Daizy	Mark Gibson
Alli	Matt Buntrock	River	Hubert Helton
Lefty	Robert Dodson	Annie	Michael Evans
Edge	Mark Gibson		

JUNIOR Stake Judges —Mark Gibson/Guy Greer

Teela	Dickie Jones
Eddie	Wes Overton
Edge	Mark Gibson

Cy	Grant Rains
Bruno	Charlie Mark Gibson
	Brian Caldwell

Reload	Brian Caldwell
Grace	Robert Williams
Sadie	Paul Malmquist

ADVANCED JUNIOR (Doubles)

Penny	Jim Pearce
Magnum	Mike Stephens / Cy Grant Rains

SENIOR Judges— Mike Evans/Brent McCoy

Sadie	Paul Malmquist
Belle	Brian Caldwell

Gov	Matt McCoy
Rocko	Matt Buntrock

2012 Master National Update. As of June 3 there are 544 Master dogs qualified to enter the Master National. Six Master passes between August 1, 2011 to July 31, 2012 are required.

May 26 PUPPY CONTEST

Judge—Kim Smith/
Volunteer From Gallery

SENIOR PUPPY

1st T Walt Wilson

JUNIOR PUPPY

1st Zeus Mary A Revell
2nd T Walt Wilson
3rd Spider Buck Ray
4th Sally Lisa Harrell
JAM Yoki Cindy Price
JAM Ripp Matt Buntrock
JAM Brennon MA Revell
JAM Cole Chris Stokes

April 28 PUPPY Contest

Judges-Guy Greer/Jim Pearce

Senior Puppy

1st Emmie Wes Overton
2nd Edge Mark Gibson
3rd Ripp Matt Buntrock
4th Charile Mark Gibson
JAMS Peppers Nick Hodge

No Junior Puppies

ETRC and Surrounding Area Upcoming Events

August	Cookout/Social/Semi-Annual Business Meeting, Location to be announced
Sept 29-30	AKC Fall Hunt Test, Hiwassee Refuge, Birchwood, TN. TWRA Approved, AKC Event Approved-Judges Pending
Oct 19-28	AKC Master National 2012 Event, Alabama Cattle Ranch, Greensboro, AL Starts on Saturday instead of Sunday

NEW TRAINING GROUNDS!

Karen Edwards reports she has received the signed agreement between ETRC and Roane Alliance to use the Industrial Park grounds for dog training on weekends only. The next board meeting will address rules, restrictions, dates, and notifications.
Location: One mile from I-40 and I-75 split in Lenoir City area, near H. T. Hackney Company.