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# NEWSLETT STEPPENT

The ETRC Fall Hunt Test was held on Sept 29-30, 2012 at the beautiful Hiwassee Refuge in Birchwood, TN courtesy of the TWRA. The weather was warm and clear both days. A total of 176 dogs were entered requiring two flights of Master Hunter and two additional judges.

A message from Brent McCoy, ETRC president:

ETRC Members: I must express a huge "Thank You" to all who worked and/or helped in any way at our AKC Fall Hunt Test. Without dedicated club members to take on individual responsibilities it simply would not happen. I cannot recall every name and am probably not aware of all who helped in every area. Whether you helped with equipment movement, setting up, transferring birdboys, making lunches, throwing birds, as a gunner, selling shirts and hats, or writing the checks for the bills, just to mention a few of the duties, all are important. If you simply picked up some trash or helped in carrying a cooler it all works for the good of the club and to help the test move along. It's always good to see club members step up to tasks and do them without being asked. Again, I Thank You All for sacrificing your time and labor for helping to make ETRC one of the best retriever clubs to be part of. We should all be proud of the moneysaving efforts we took this year. ETRC held two AKC Hunt Tests and three club trials. We are once again in sound financial shape after a January beginning balance of \$1260.00 and ending with a current balance of \$9393.32.

A big Thank You to the Bledsoe County High School Archery Club students and chaperones who handled the bird boy duties both days. The bird boy group was acquired and trained by members Rick and Diane Fyfe. Thanks to the Knox County Sheriff's Dept SWAT Team gunners conscripted by Mike Evans. Many thanks to Jason Jackson, TWRA Area Manager.

# 2012 Master National—Oct 18-28—Demopolis, Alabama

The 2012 Master National was held October 18-28 on the Alabama State Cattle Ranch renamed as the Forever Wild State property and maintained by the Alabama State Correctional Facility. Random Statistics:

- 908 Dogs Qualified 712 Dogs Entered (78%) Qualified 221 Dogs(31%)
- Passed Flight A = 52 Flight B = 64 Flight C = 50 Flight D = 55
- 55 % Entered Male Dogs 45% Entered Female Dogs
- Handlers: 62% (442) handled by 93 Professionals
- Handlers: 38% (270) handled by 191 Amateurs

### ETRC 2012 Master National Qualifiers

- Fay Norwood with Norwoods Ocoee The Other Half MH/Fay Norwood
- Lois Luthenauer with Luthenauer's Troublesome Coon Creek Susie MH/Jody Ware
- Resident Pro Jody Ware qualified four dogs out of 11 entered

The 2013 Master National will be held Sept 21-29 in Fall River, Kansas

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# 2012 Fall Club Trial—Chota Refuge—Vonore, TN - September 22, 2012

The Fall Club trial was held on Saturday 22 at the Chota Wildlife Refuge in Vonore, TN courtesy of the TWRA. When we arrived at 8 AM we found the reserve had not been mowed and the gate locked. The grounds had been sown with knee-high soybeans the entire length of the fields making it impossible to set up any equipment. The gate was locked to the back water areas. Judges Mike Evans and Brent McCoy set up a single land setup used as a single, double, or triple depending on the level of the dog, and ran the dogs in any order. We were unable to run the Singles Classic as there was no available land. ETRC had obtained a permit from the TWRA Vonore field head-quarters but David Whitehead must have forgotten our reservation. The following are the results of the club trial:

MASTER- 17	Dogs Entered—8 Dogs Passed	<u> SENIOR - 7 I</u>	<u> Dogs Entered—2 Passed</u>
Jethro	Kelley Eller	Memphis	Guy Greer
Shadow	Kelley Eller	Emmie	Wes Overton
Callie	Jim Pearce		
Carly	Derek Dieterich	ADVANCED .	JUNIOR/JUNIOR 8 Dogs Entered—6 Passed
Annie	Mike Evans	Panda	Jim Pearce Advanced Junior
Emmie	Wes Overton	Raven	Carol Stone Advanced Junior
Ella	Brent McCoy	Edge	Mark Gibson Junior
Alli	Matt Buntrock	Bandit	Mark Gibson Junior

NO Puppies Entered Ripp Matt Buntrock Junior

A total of 32 dogs were run. The Cocke County High School Wrestling Team furnished the birdboys.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE—NOMINATIONS FOR 2013 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The nominating committee consisting of Carol Stone (Board Member/Committee Chair), Guy Greer, and Rick Fyfe met on Sept 30 and presented the following slate of nominees for the February 23 elections:

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•	President	Mike Evans
•	Vice-President	Kelley Eller
•	Secretary	Karen Edwards
•	Treasurer	<b>Chuck Atchley</b>
•	<b>Hunt Test Secretary</b>	Roberta Williams
•	Delegate	Diane Fyfe
•	Director	<b>Derek Dieterich</b>
•	Director	Lois Luthenauer

AWARDS FOR 2012: Please submit point totals for 2012 Gun Dog and Puppy of the Year awards to Director Mike Evans. Rules for both are on the website (www.etrclub.org) under Gun Dog Awards. Mike's e-mail is: Fowl\_Mouth\_K9@aol.com. Plans for the location of the club banquet will be in the next newsletter and the date will be Saturday, February 23. Questions-contact Mike.

Junior

Mark Gibson

Nominations are open to the general membership. Additional nominations may be made by any member prior to December 31 of each club year, by writing to the Secretary, Karen Edwards, provided that the proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate.

# **NEW MEMBERS**—

Gregg Driscoll Michele Fletcher
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Pending Membership Final Vote: 1) Kenny McCormick, Cleveland, TN 2) Beth White, Maryville, TN

## ETRC and Surrounding Area Upcoming Events

Nov 9 2012 North Alabama RC, Greensboro, AL
Nov 10 2012 Yadkin River RC, Rose Hill, NC
Nov 10 2012 Tallahassee RC, Thomasville, GA
Nov 17 2012 Cooper River RC, Camden, SC
Dec 7 2012 Palmetto RC, Cheraw, SC
Dec 8 2012 Lower Alabama, Fairhope, AL
Feb 23 2013 ETRC Annual Banquet & Officer Election

### **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 Saturday only. Directions: Take I-40 to I-40/I-75 Split. Go 4.1 miles to TN -95 West. Go left 1/4 mile to Buttermilk Rd. Go one mile to Sam Rayburn Parkway. Go 1/2 mile to left on Pawnook Farm Road past tan building. Club Rules on Website under TRAINING.